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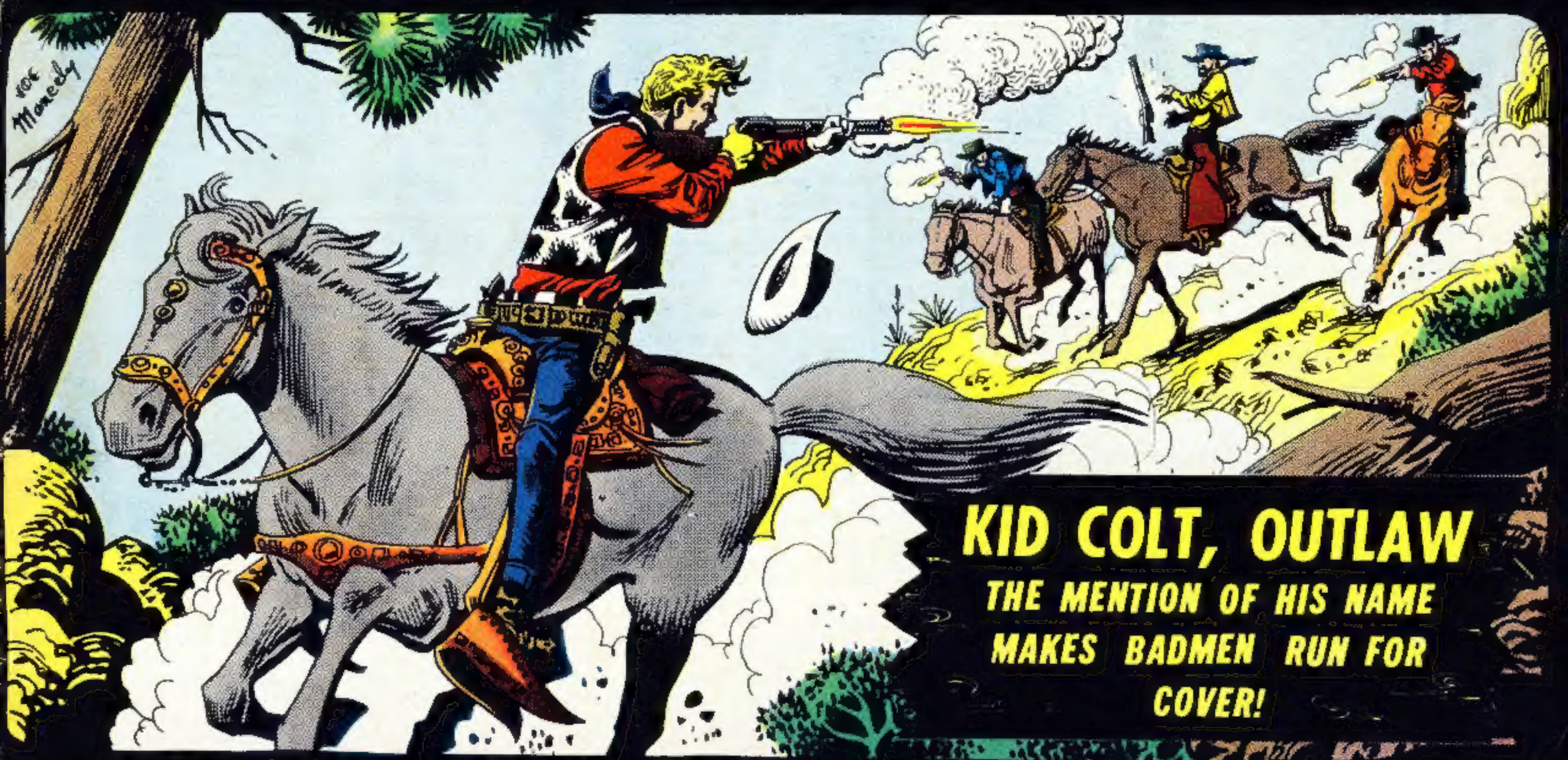

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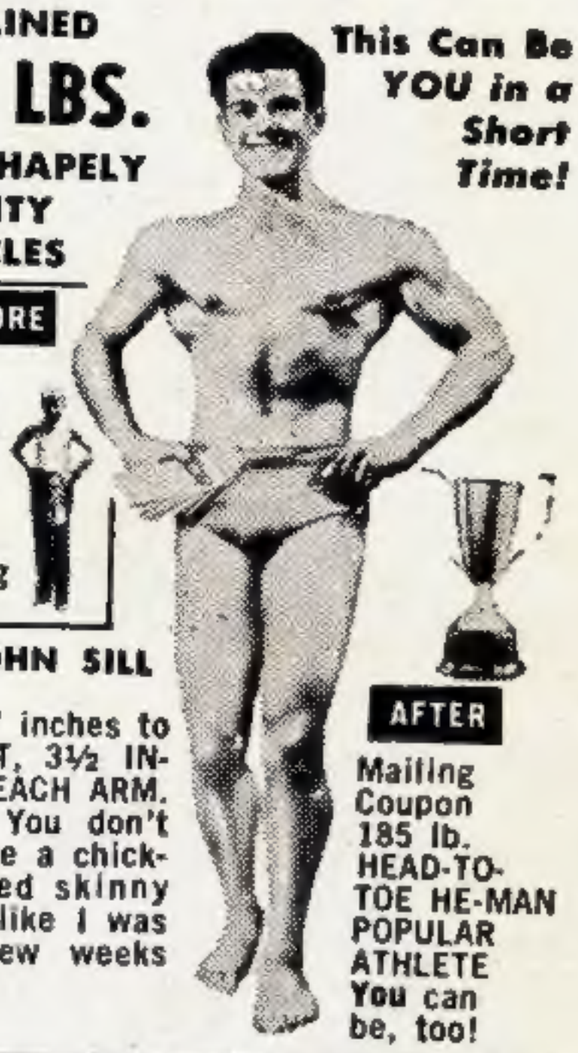

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KID COLT OUTLAW

HE CAME FROM EVERYWHERE AND WAS HEADING NOWHERE! THE LOST LOOK OF A HUNTED MAN WAS IN HIS EYES, BUT THE IRON WILL OF A FIGHTER WAS IN HIS HEART! HE WAS KID COLT, OUTLAW! KID COLT WANTED BY THE LAW--FEARED BY THE OWLHOOTS--AND LOVED BY THE LEGEND-MAKERS! IN LONELINESS HE DWELT--BUT HE WAS NOT ALONE NOW--FOR TWO PAIR OF EYES WERE WATCHING HIM, AS TWO TRIGGER-FINGERS TENSED FOR ACTION!

"NO PLACE TO TURN!"

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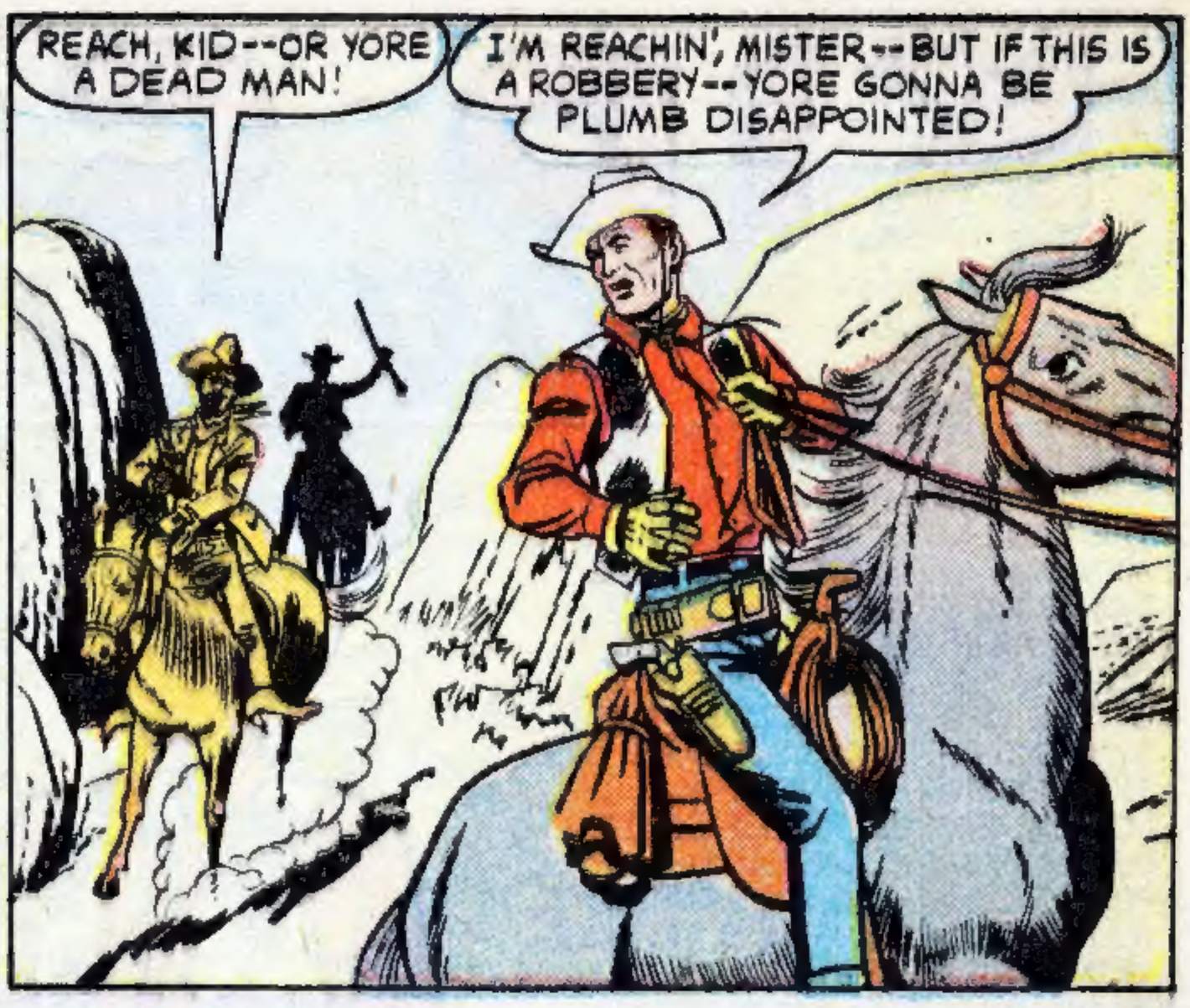
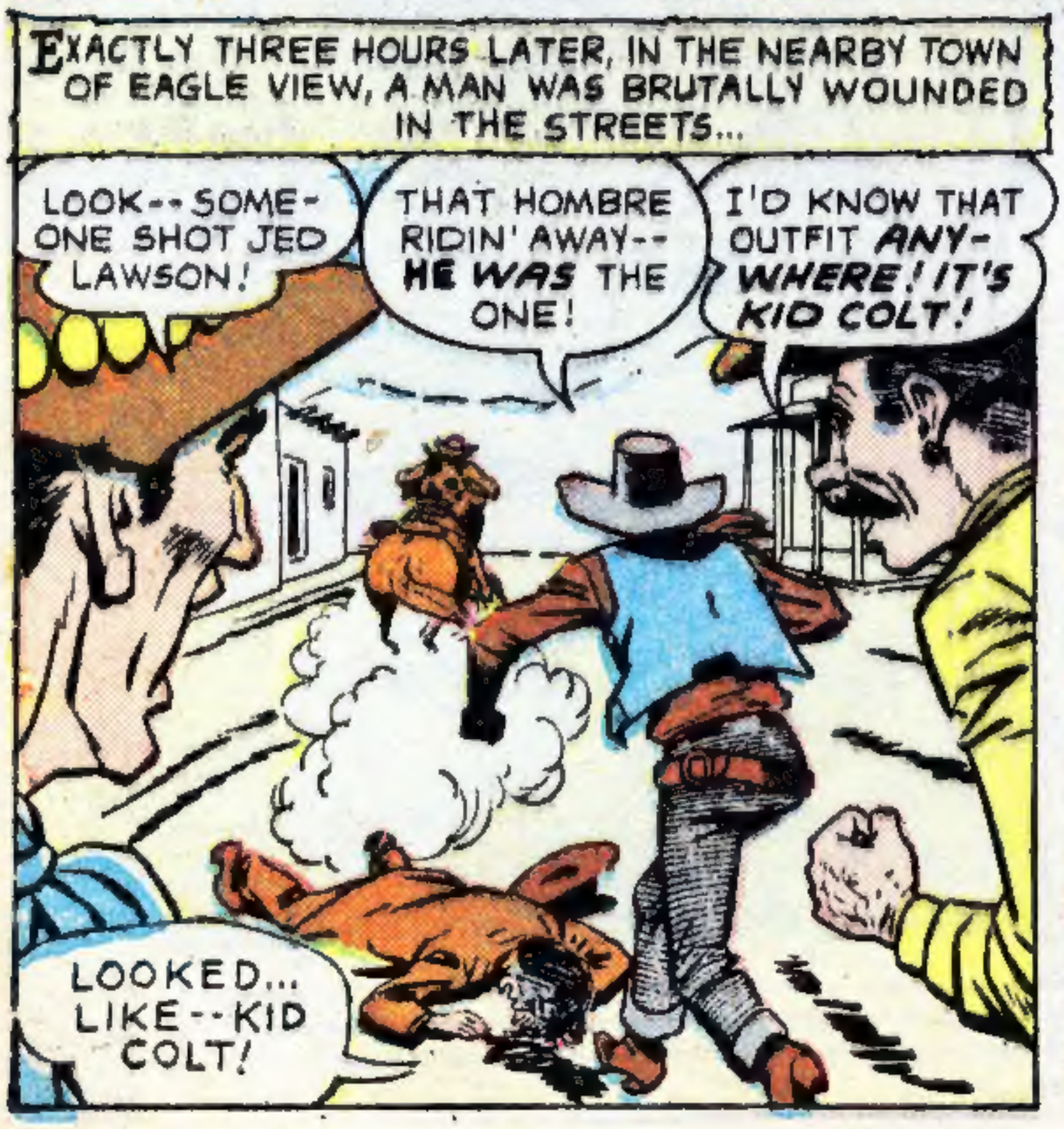
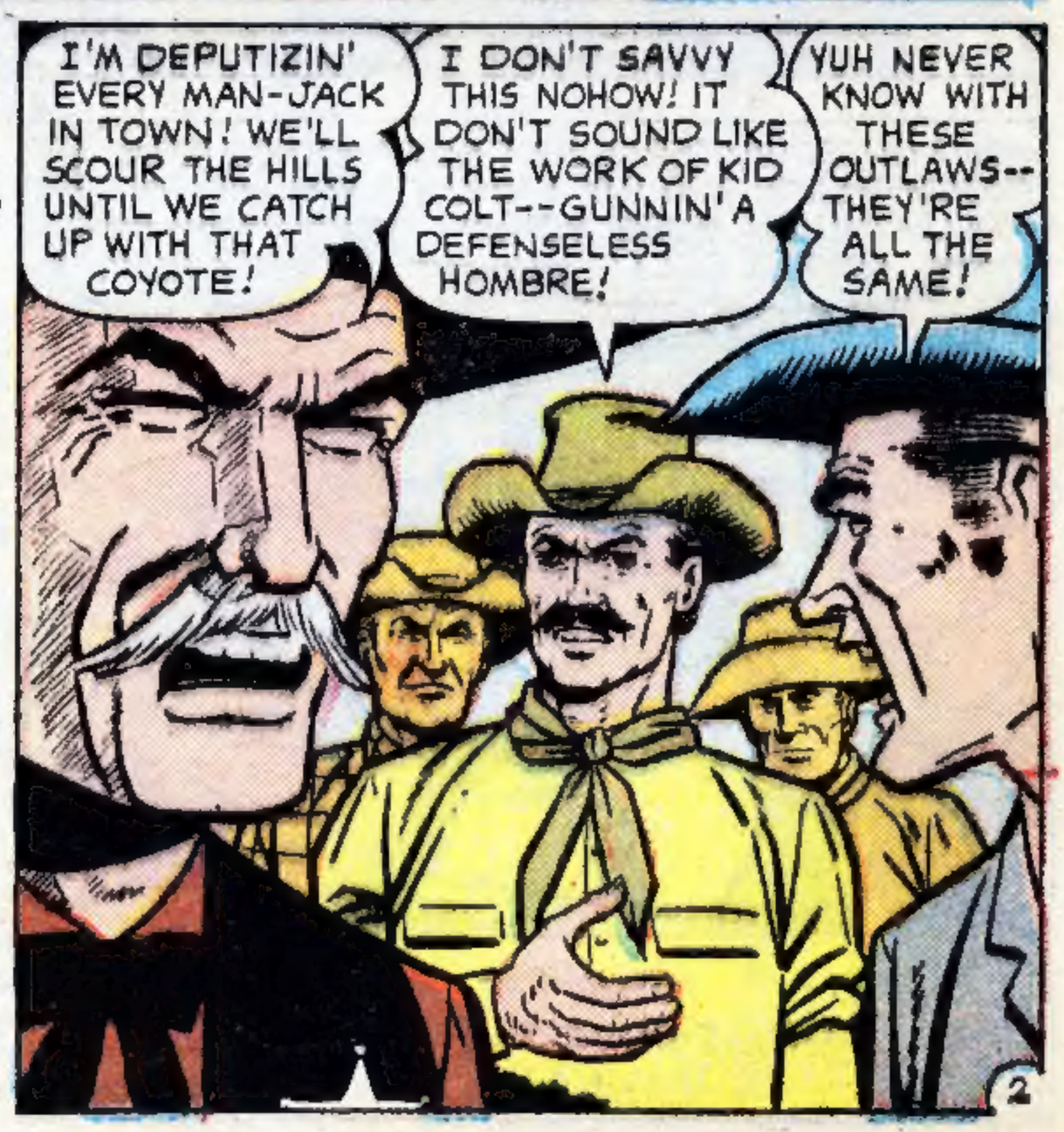

REACH, KID--OR YORE A DEAD MAN!
I'M REACHIN', MISTER--BUT IF THIS IS A ROBBERY--YORE GONNA BE PLUMB DISAPPOINTED!

IT AIN'T NO ROBBERY--TIE 'IM UP, SQUATTER, WHILE I JUS' BORROW HIS CLOTHES!
CLOTHES?
I'M BEGINNIN' TO SEE WHAT YUH GOT IN MIND, BLACKJACK!


EXACTLY THREE HOURS LATER, IN THE NEARBY TOWN OF EAGLE VIEW, A MAN WAS BRUTALLY WOUNDED IN THE STREETS...
LOOK--SOMEONE SHOT JED LAWSON!
THAT HOMBRE RIDIN' AWAY--HE WAS THE ONE!
I'D KNOW THAT OUTFIT ANYWHERE! IT'S KID COLT!
LOOKED... LIKE--KID COLT!


I'M DEPUTIZIN' EVERY MAN-JACK IN TOWN! WE'LL SCOUR THE HILLS UNTIL WE CATCH UP WITH THAT COYOTE!
I DON'T SAVVY THIS NOHOW! IT DON'T SOUND LIKE THE WORK OF KID COLT--GUNNIN' A DEFENSELESS HOMBRE!
YUH NEVER KNOW WITH THESE OUTLAWS--THEY'RE ALL THE SAME!

NOT LONG AFTERWARDS...

HERE'S YORE DUDS BACK, MISTER! YORE FREE TO GO NOW!

BUT DON'T MAKE NO SUDDEN MOVES-- I GOT YUH COVERED!

YOU MEAN-- I CAN GO? JUST LIKE THAT?

UNWITTINGLY, THE KID RODE OFF TOWARD EAGLE VIEW, TRYING TO PIECE TOGETHER THE STRANGE EVENTS HE HAD JUST PARTICIPATED IN!

ONLY TWO LOCO CRITTERS WOULDA DONE WHAT THEY DID--AND THEY DIDN'T LOOK LOCO TO ME!

MEANWHILE...

IT WORKED LIKE A CHARM-- WHILE EVERYONE'S LOOKIN' FOR KID COLT WE CAN CRACK THE BANK EASY AS FALLIN' OFFA LOG!

SURE--IT'LL BE HOURS AFORE THEY GIT BACK-- THE KID'LL BE SURE TO PUT UP A FIGHT! YORE A GENIUS, BLACKJACK!

BUT KID COLT WAS NO ORDINARY RANNY TO BE TRICKED AS EASILY AS THAT! HIS BRAIN, MADE RAPIER-SHARP THRU YEARS OF LIVING BY HIS WITS, SOON RECONSTRUCTED THE PLOT WITH UNCANNY ACCURACY!

SMOKE AHEAD! IT'S A POSSE--A BIG ONE! THEY MUST BE LOOKIN' FOR SOMEONE DANGEROUS-- WAIT A MINUTE--THAT HOMBRE, BLACKJACK-- IN MY CLOTHES--*THAT'S IT!* HE FRAMED ME FOR SOMETHING--BUT WHAT? AND WHY?

THERE HE IS! AFTER HIM, MEN!

THEY SEE ME! I'VE GOT TO STAY AHEAD OF THEM--I'LL FOLLOW BLACKJACK'S TRAIL-- WHATEVER HIS PLAN WAS--HE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN EXPLAIN!

AND SO IT CAME TO PASS THAT KID COLT ALSO RACED TOWARD EAGLE VIEW, WHERE BLACKJACK AND SQUATTER WERE LOOTING THE BANK--WITH THE SHERIFF AND HIS POSSE HOT ON HIS TRAIL...

I'VE GOT TO GET TO BLACKJACK AFORE THOSE RANNIES TREE ME!

BLACKJACK, LOOK! IT'S THE KID--WITH THE POSSE AFTER HIM!

I NEVER FIGURED ON THIS-- I WUZ SURE HE'D HEAD FOR THE HILLS!

BANK

EAGLE VIEW BANK HOURS

THERE THEY ARE!

QUICK! HIDE THOSE BAGS OF GOLD IN YOUR SADDLE BAGS AND THEN STOP KID COLT! WE CAN *STILL* CARRY THIS OFF!

RIGHT--NO ONE KNOWS WE LOOTED THE BANK YET-- WE CAN COLLECT THE REWARD FOR THE KID AND LEAVE TOWN AFORE THEY'RE WISE!

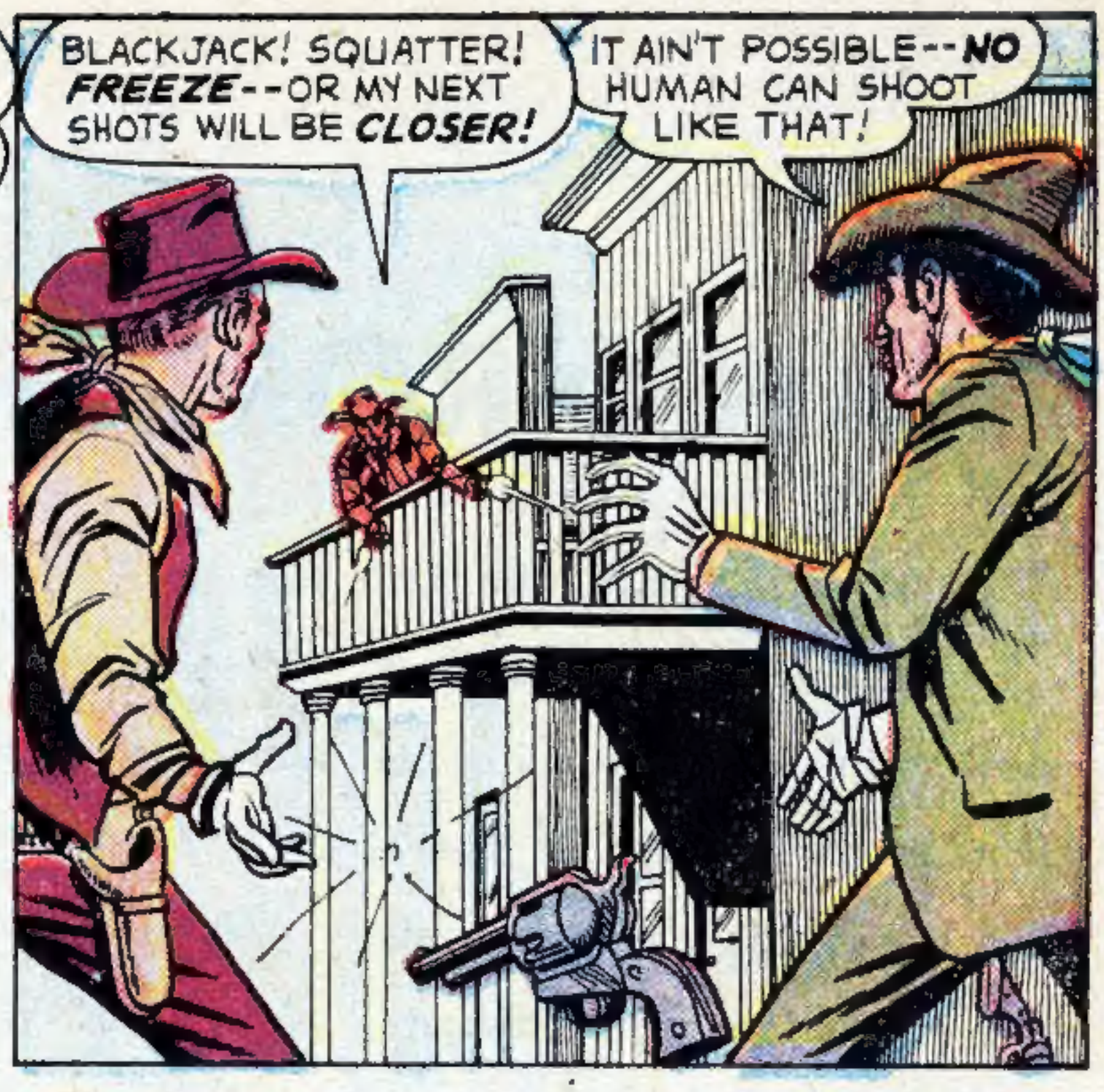
BUT THE KID HAD TAKEN IN THE SITUATION AT A GLANCE! NOW THAT HE KNEW WHAT HE WAS UP AGAINST--HE'D KNOW HOW TO HANDLE IT!

SO *THAT'S* IT! THEY FIGGERED TO USE ME AS A DECOY WHILE THEY CLEANED OUT THE BANK! ALL RIGHT, THE PARTY'S OVER!

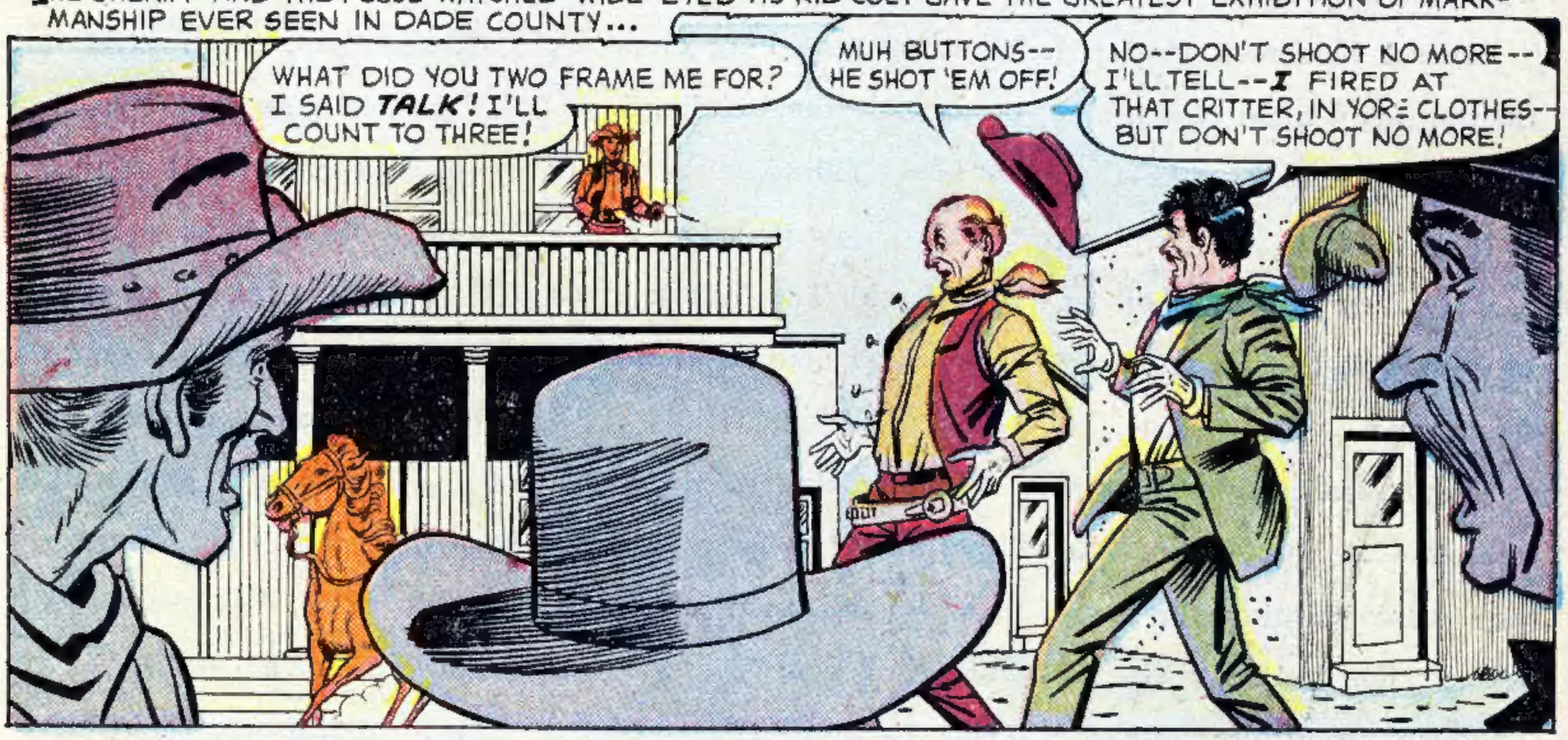
YUH BLASTED FOOL-- YUH *MISSED* 'IM!

I DIDN'T SEE *YOU* DO NO BETTER, BLACK-JACK!

I'LL HAVE A FIGHTING CHANCE FROM UP HERE!



THE SHERIFF AND THE POSSE WATCHED WIDE-EYED AS KID COLT GAVE THE GREATEST EXHIBITION OF MARKMANSHIP EVER SEEN IN DADE COUNTY...



AS THE POSSE WATCHED--TRANSFIXED BY THE NEAR-MIRACULOUS GUNMANSHIP THEY HAD SEEN, THE KID LEAPED TO HIS HORSE AND HEADED OUT OF TOWN--FIRING ONE LAST SHOT OVER HIS SHOULDER...

AND SO BLACKJACK AND SQUATTER WERE HANDED OVER TO THE LAW--THE BANK'S GOLD WAS RECOVERED, AND KID COLT RETURNED TO THE LONELY OWLHOOT TRAIL--WITH THE BRAND OF THE OUTLAW STILL ON HIM--THE BRAND FROM WHICH NO MAN CAN ESCAPE!

THE END

BANK-ROBBER'S BLUNDER!

DICK BOLSTER, the fat, old sheriff of Crimono sat dozing in his office with his feet up on his desk. It was a hot, drowsy day, and even his dog was curled up in the shade outside the office.

Several horsemen clattered up the dusty main street, and he opened one eye as they stopped in front of his place.

But when they walked in, he opened both eyes and kept them open.

They were carrying drawn, business-like six-shooters and they were pointing the weapons straight at him!

Slowly, carefully, Sheriff Bolster rose, his hands reaching for the upper atmosphere.

"Take it easy, sheriff," the tallest of the three men drawled. "Take it kinda easy and you won't get hurt none. We know how to use these toys."

"What — what —" the sheriff began, and then had to stop and moisten his lips. "What in the name of tarnation do you hombres want of me?"

"Nothin'. Practically nothin', that is. We're not interested in you at all, at all. What's attracted our attention, pardner, is the building."

"The building?"

The outlaw nodedd. "That's what I said. They're two kinds of business conducted in this here establishment."

Sheriff Bolster wrinkled his brows and stared heavily over their shoulders. "I still don't understand you. What are you trying to say?"

"Well, lookee," the stoutest of the three pointed out. "The front of this building is the sheriff's office. But the *back* part . . ."

It was then that Dick Bolster understood. "You're bank robbers," he gasped.

"Catches on quick, don't he?" said the tall man, and the other two guffawed.

The sheriff's mouth dropped open in horror and he sat down heavily. All three outlaws laughed at the violently unhappy expression on his face.

"Convenient, that's what it is," the tall man said. "Usually, in a town as small as this, the bank doesn't have a guard. The sheriff's supposed to take care of all chores like that. So here, in Crimono, we take care of the sheriff first and walk into the bank right through his own office. Yes sirree, it's downright convenient."

"One useful arrangement," the stout man agreed. "Practically made to order for us."

"You won't get away with this, you know," the sheriff warned. "You'll never—"

"Don't worry about us, grandpa. We've studied this town very carefully. Nobody's going to walk in unexpectedlike and disturb our little par-

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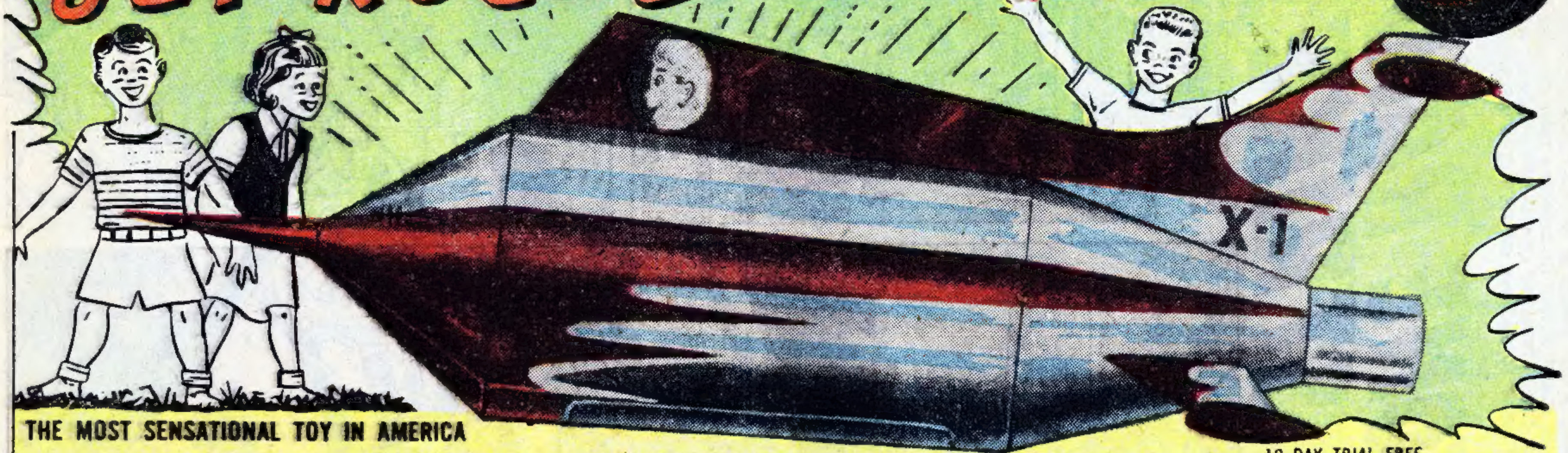

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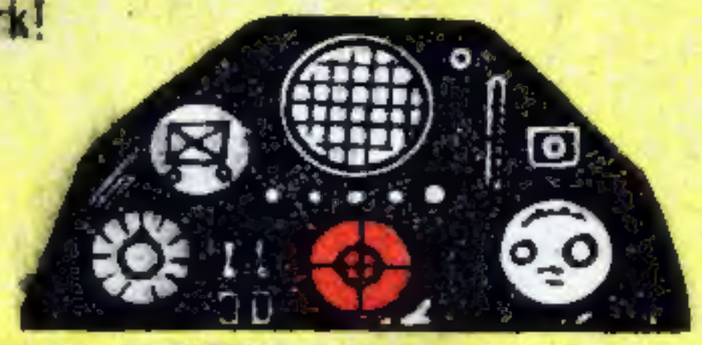

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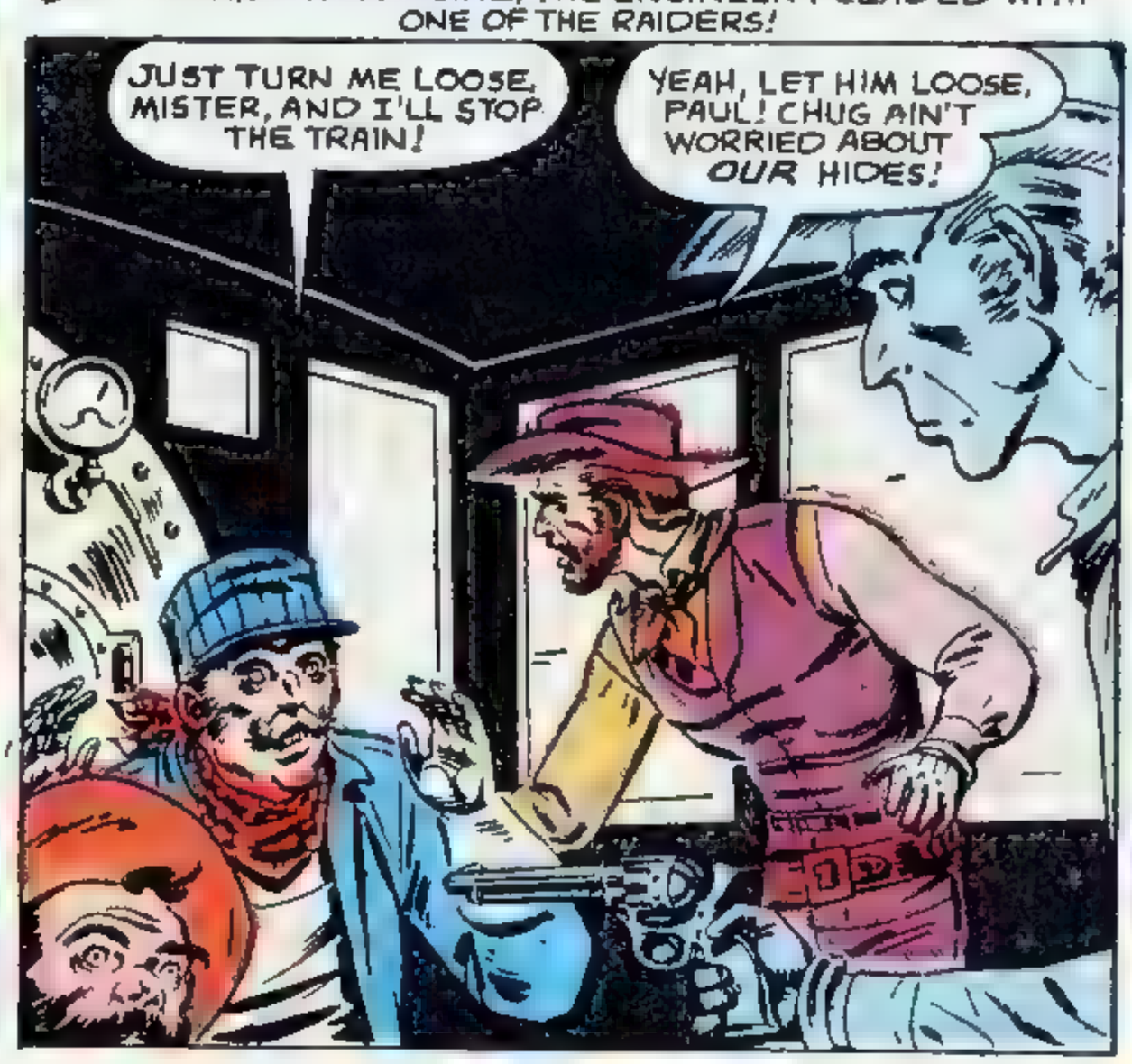
CHUGGING ACROSS THE WESTERN PLAINS CAME A NEW BREED OF "ANIMAL"...THE RAILROAD! IT WAS STRANGE, SEEING THE MECHANICAL, PUFFING, CHUGGING GIANT IN THIS WILDERNESS TERRITORY...BUT IT WAS ANNOUNCING THE DAWN OF A NEW DAY...THE BEGINNING OF CIVILIZATION...THE COMING OF LAW, ORDER AND PROGRESS! BUT THERE WERE THOSE WHO DIDN'T WANT TO SEE ANY OF THIS COME ABOUT, AND SO...

THE BRIMSTONE RAIDERS STRIKE!

IT WAS THE YEAR THE TRACKS BROKE THE PLAINS AND THE IRON HORSE CHARGED WESTWARD ON ITS SWIFT FLIGHT TO CONQUER THE VAST MILES! AND IT WAS THE YEAR THAT THE BRIMSTONE RAIDERS HIT SWIFTLY TO STOP THAT FLIGHT!

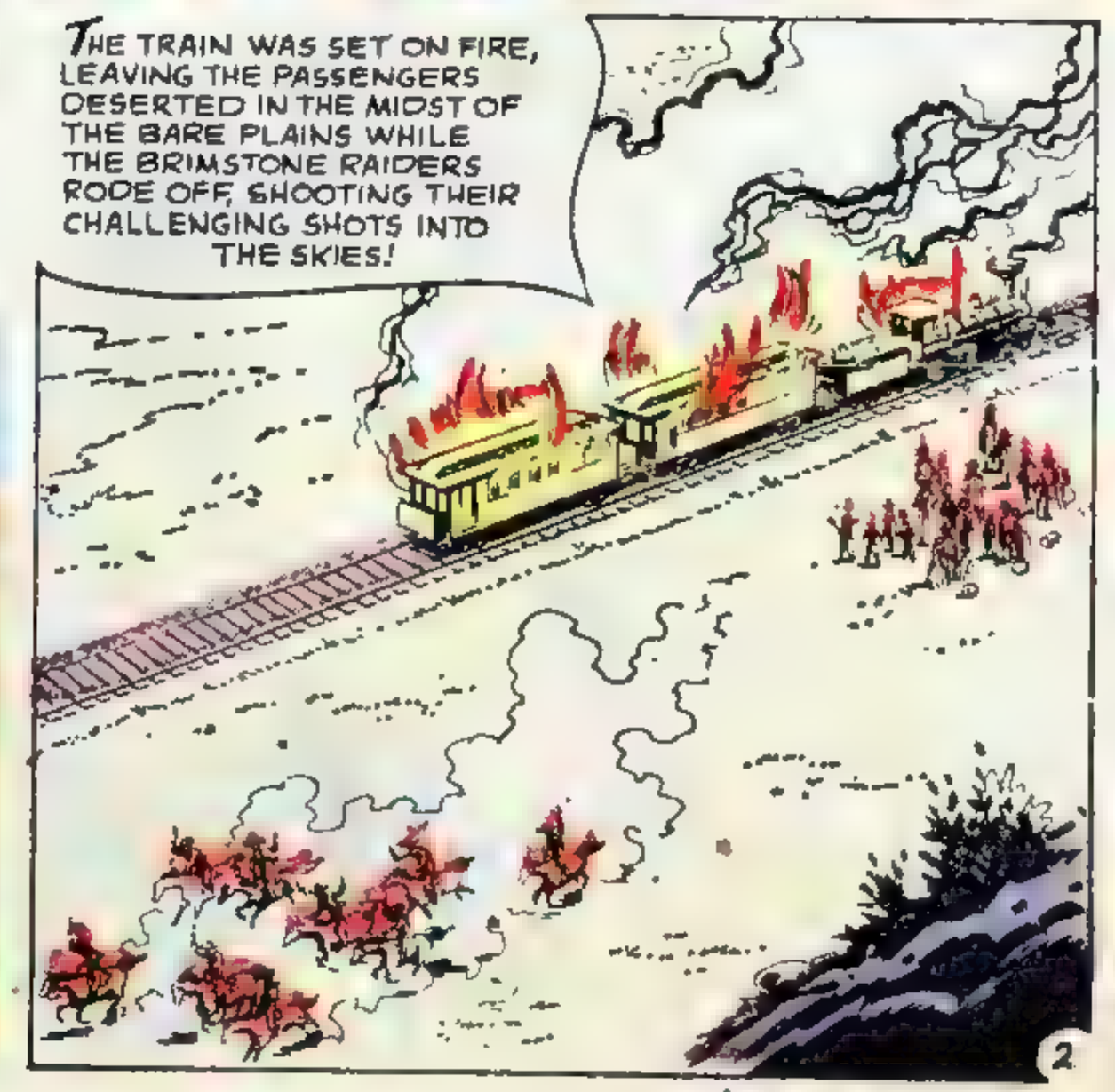
BUT THE TRAIN THUNDERED ON, THE RAIDERS UNABLE TO HALT HER!

BUT ABOARD THE ENGINE, THE ENGINEER PLEADED WITH ONE OF THE RAIDERS!



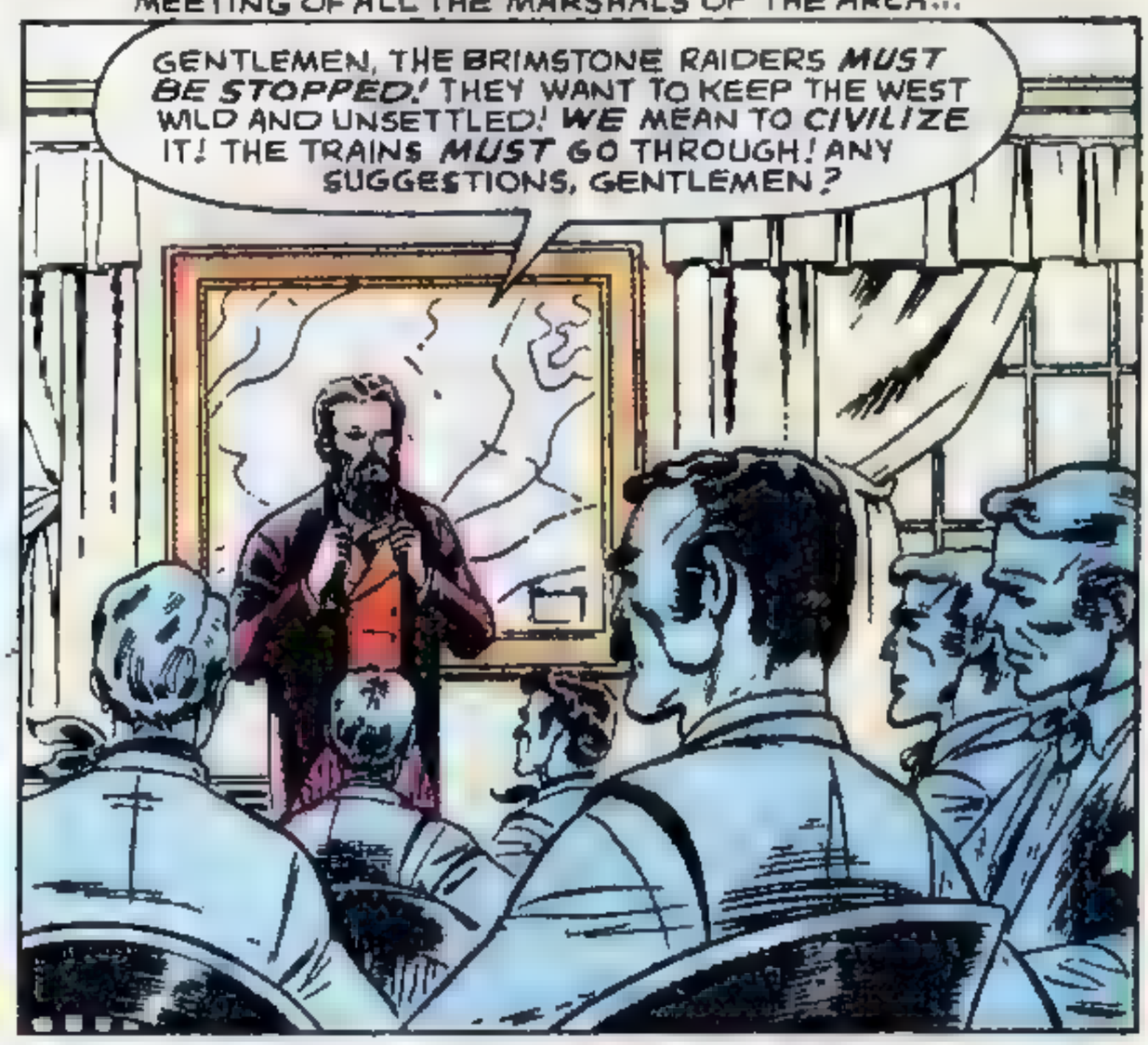
SO THE TRAIN WAS STOPPED...

THE TRAIN WAS SET ON FIRE, LEAVING THE PASSENGERS DESERTED IN THE MIDST OF THE BARE PLAINS WHILE THE BRIMSTONE RAIDERS RODE OFF, SHOOTING THEIR CHALLENGING SHOTS INTO THE SKIES!



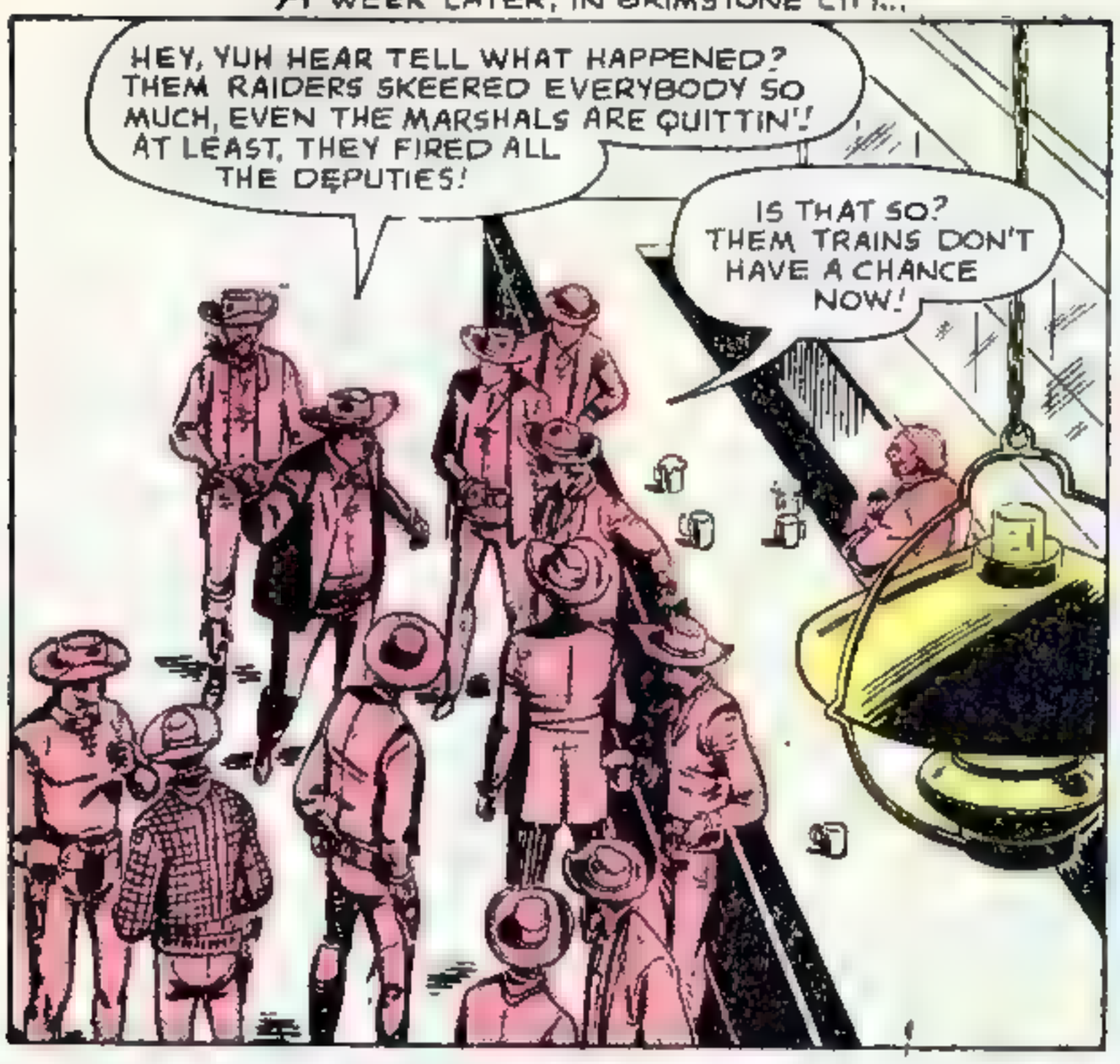
TIME AND AGAIN, THE BRIMSTONE RAIDERS HIT THE TRAINS COMING THROUGH...AND THEIR INFAMY SPREAD LIKE A BAD LEGEND ACROSS THE LAND...

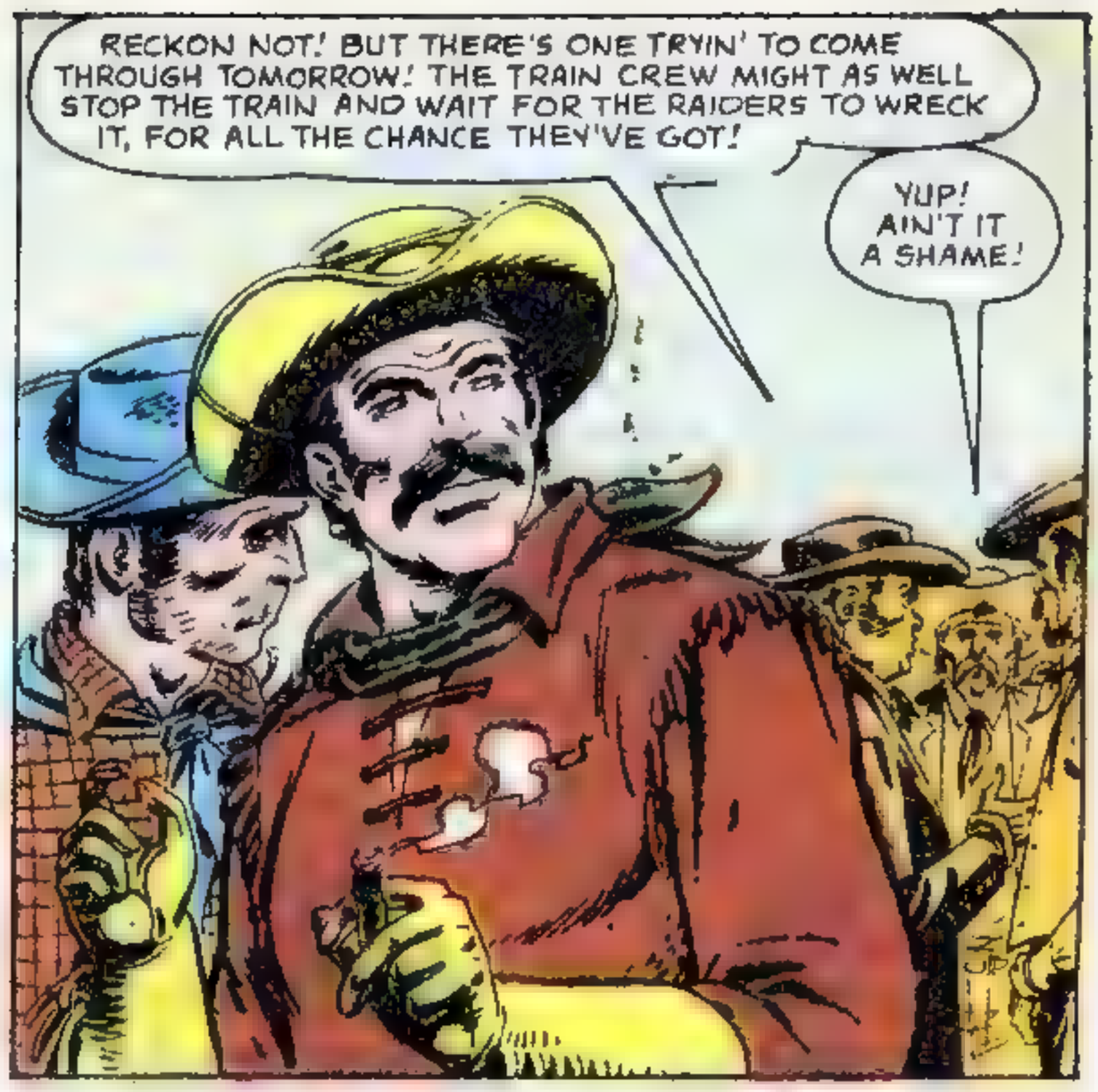
BUT THE GOVERNOR STEPPED INTO THE PICTURE! HE CALLED A MEETING OF ALL THE MARSHALS OF THE AREA...



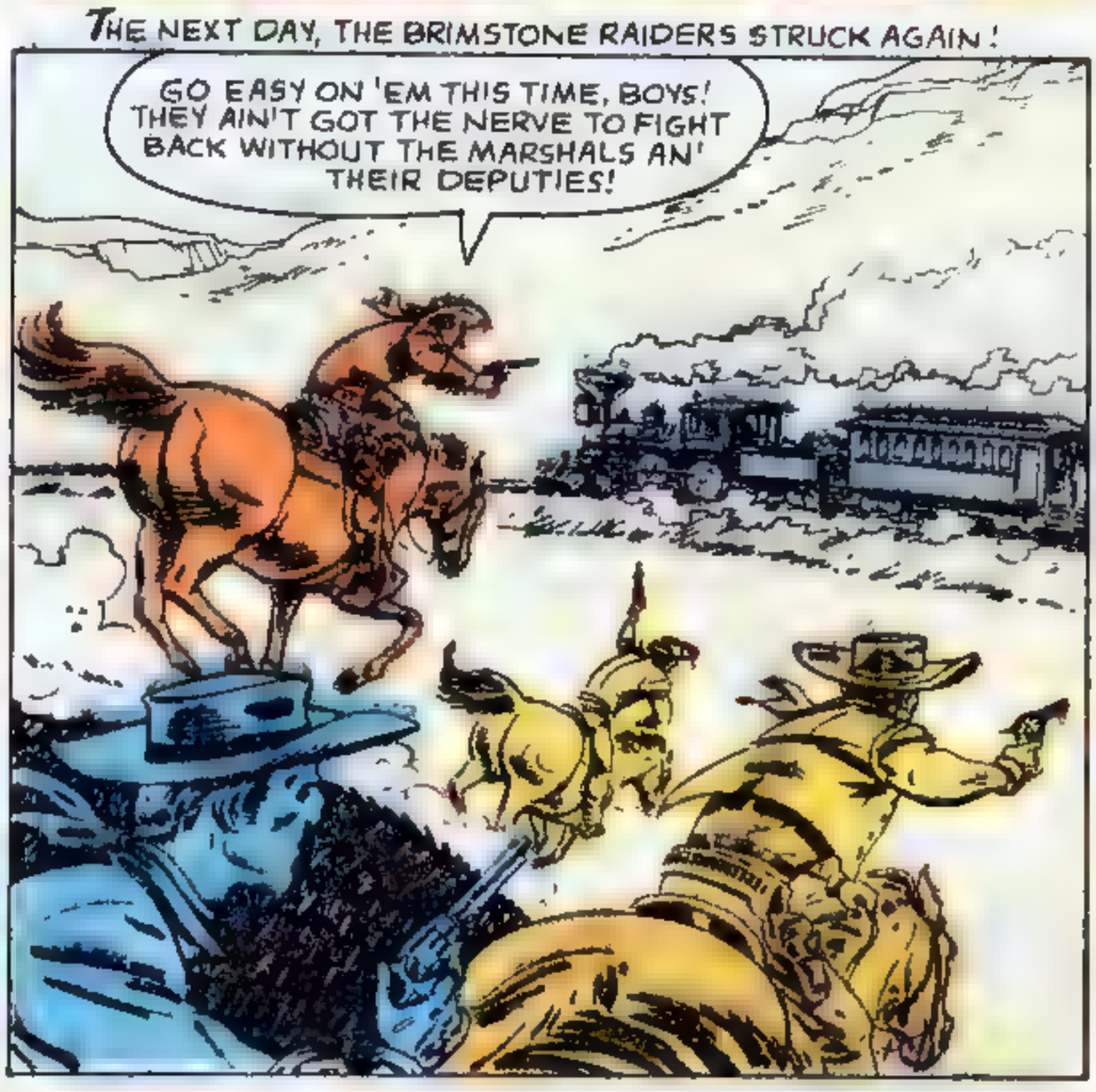
AS ONE MAN, THE MARSHALS ALL TURNED TO LOOK AT ONE AS THEIR SPOKESMAN! THIS MAN WAS WAYNE BARRY...

A WEEK LATER, IN BRIMSTONE CITY...





THE NEXT DAY, THE BRIMSTONE RAIDERS STRUCK AGAIN!



BUT THIS TIME THEY WERE MET BY GUNFIRE FROM EVERY WINDOW OF THE TRAIN!

BUT THIS WAS NO BLUFF! THIS WAS A HARD-FOUGHT BATTLE AND THE ENEMY CONSISTED OF MARKSMEN BETTER THAN THE RAIDERS

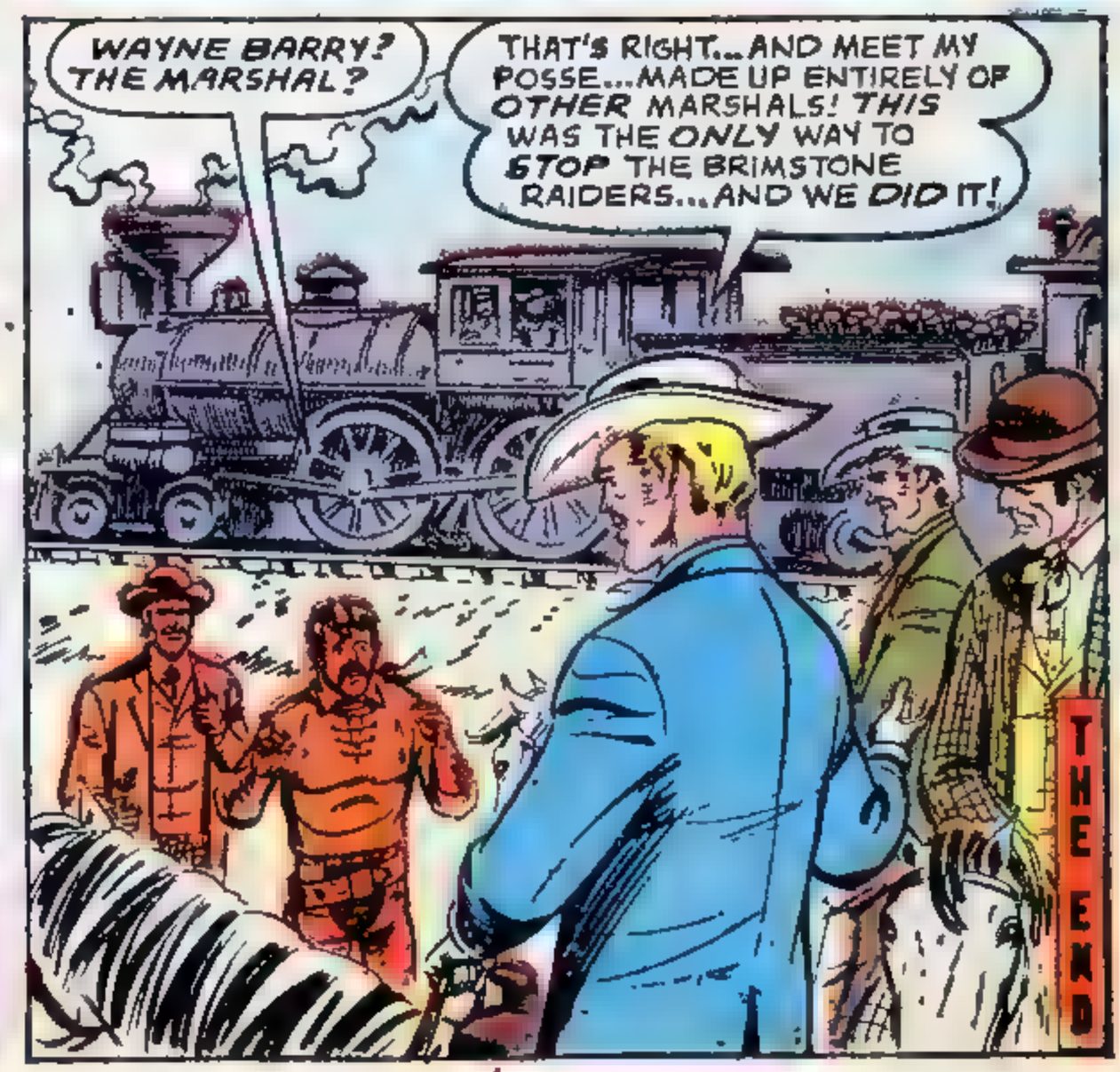
YOU KEEP FIGHTIN' 'EM, CHUG! WE'RE GETTIN' AWAY FROM HERE!
YUH CAN'T DO THIS TO ME! WAIT!

BUT CHUG WAS STOPPED SHORT IN HIS VAIN COMMANDS BY A WELL-PLACED BULLET THAT SPLIT THE SADDLESTRAP...
STOP THE TRAIN, ENGINEER! AND GIVE THE SIGNAL TO THE REAR CABOOSE TO LOOSE OUR HOSSES!

IT WAS PLANNED THIS WAY ALL THE WHILE! YUH GOT THE HOSSES... AND THE SHARPSHOOTERS... AND...
THAT'S RIGHT, MISTER! AND WE GOT YOU!

IN MINUTES, THE SWIFT RIDERS HAD CAUGHT UP WITH THE FLEEING RAIDERS!
GIVE UP! YOU DON'T HAVE A CHANCE!
ALL RIGHT! WE QUIT!

WE GOT THEM ALL, CARTER!
NICE JOB, WAYNE BARRY!


WAYNE BARRY? THE MARSHAL?
THAT'S RIGHT... AND MEET MY POSSE... MADE UP ENTIRELY OF OTHER MARSHALS! THIS WAS THE ONLY WAY TO STOP THE BRIMSTONE RAIDERS... AND WE DID IT!
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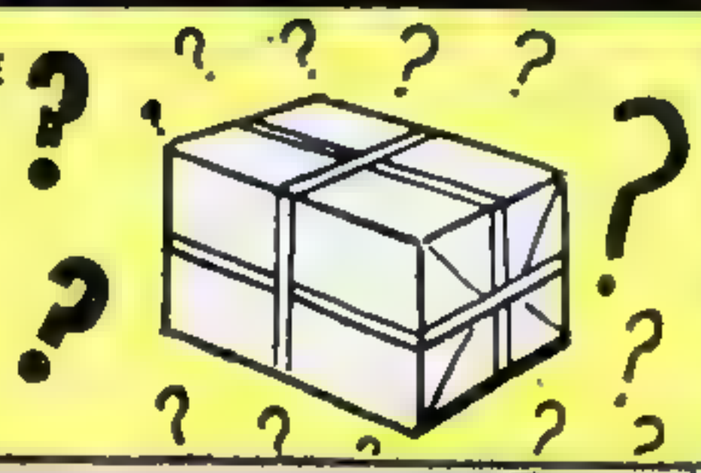

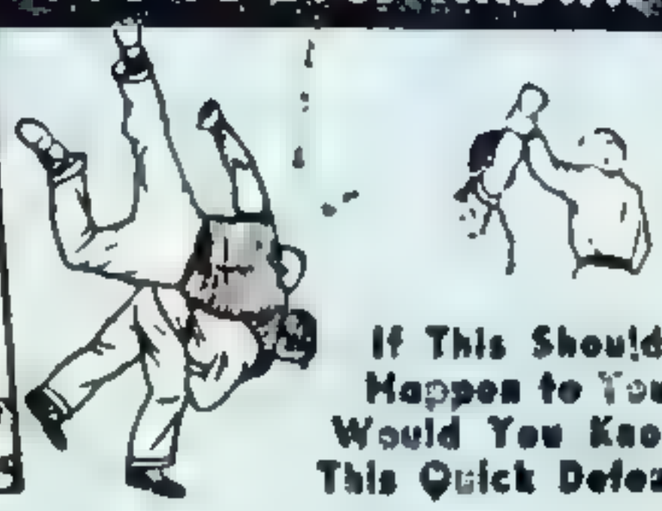

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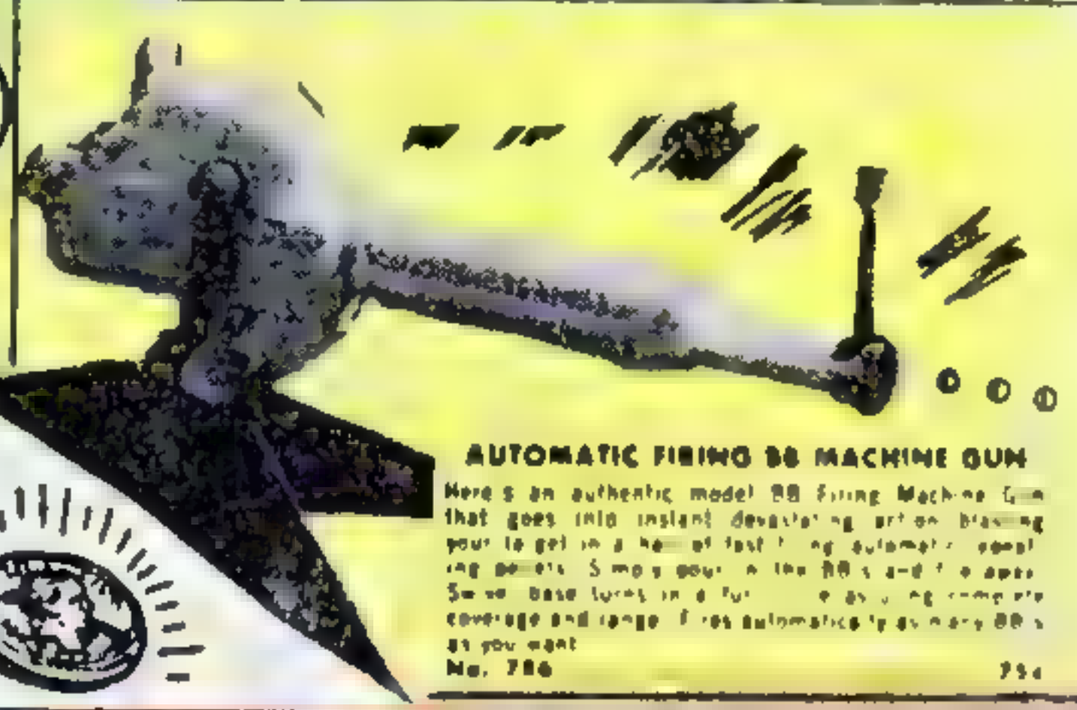

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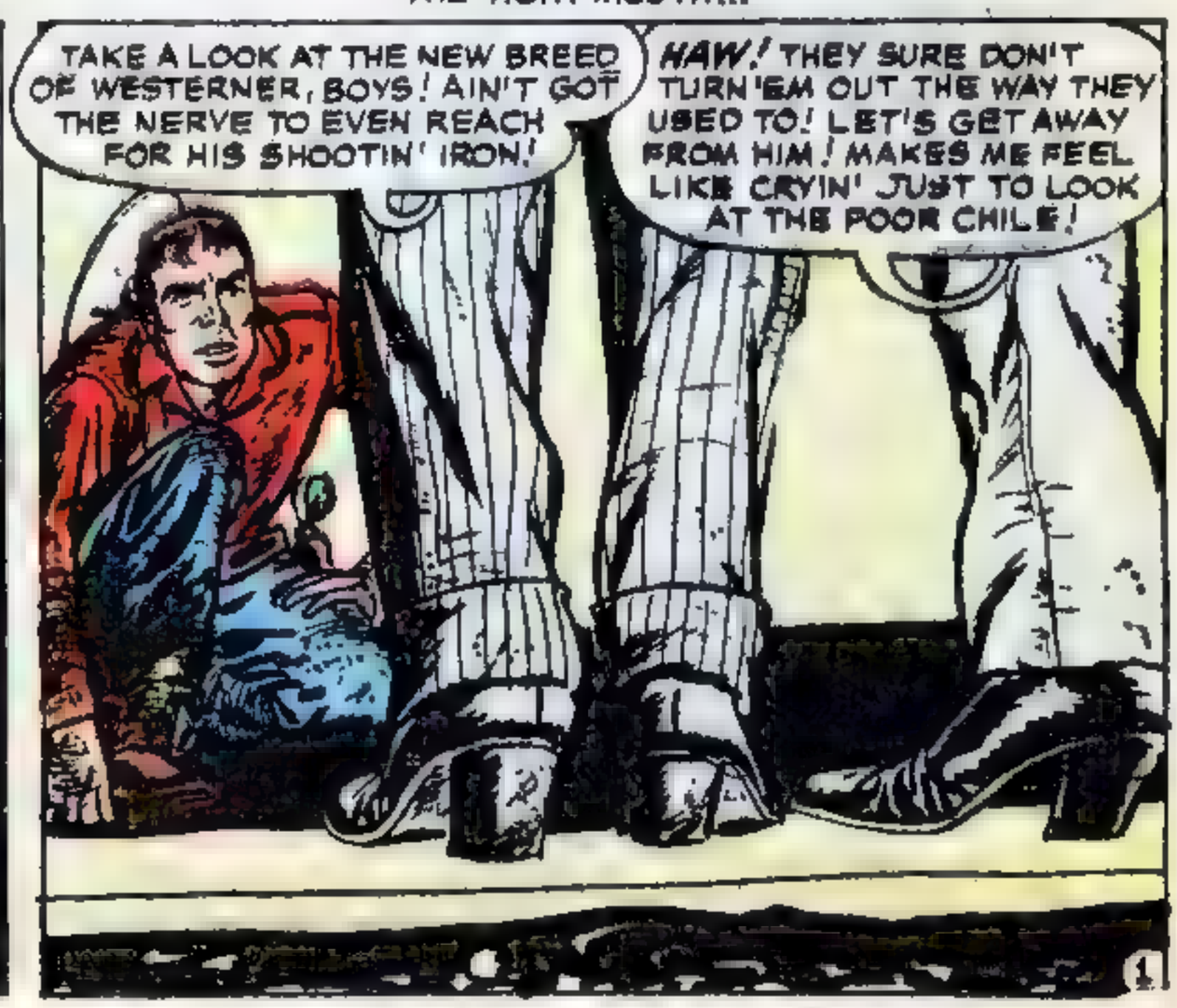
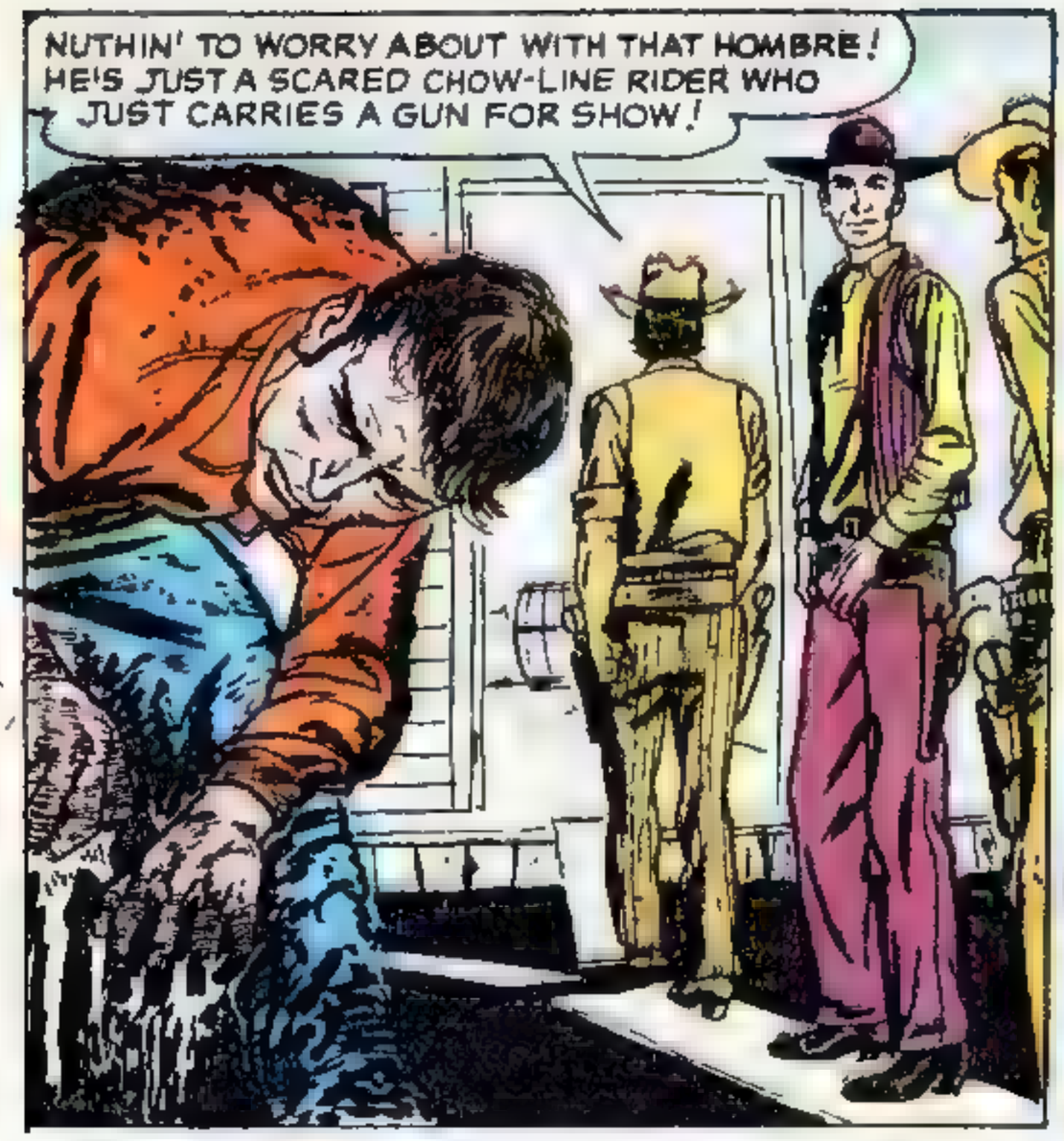
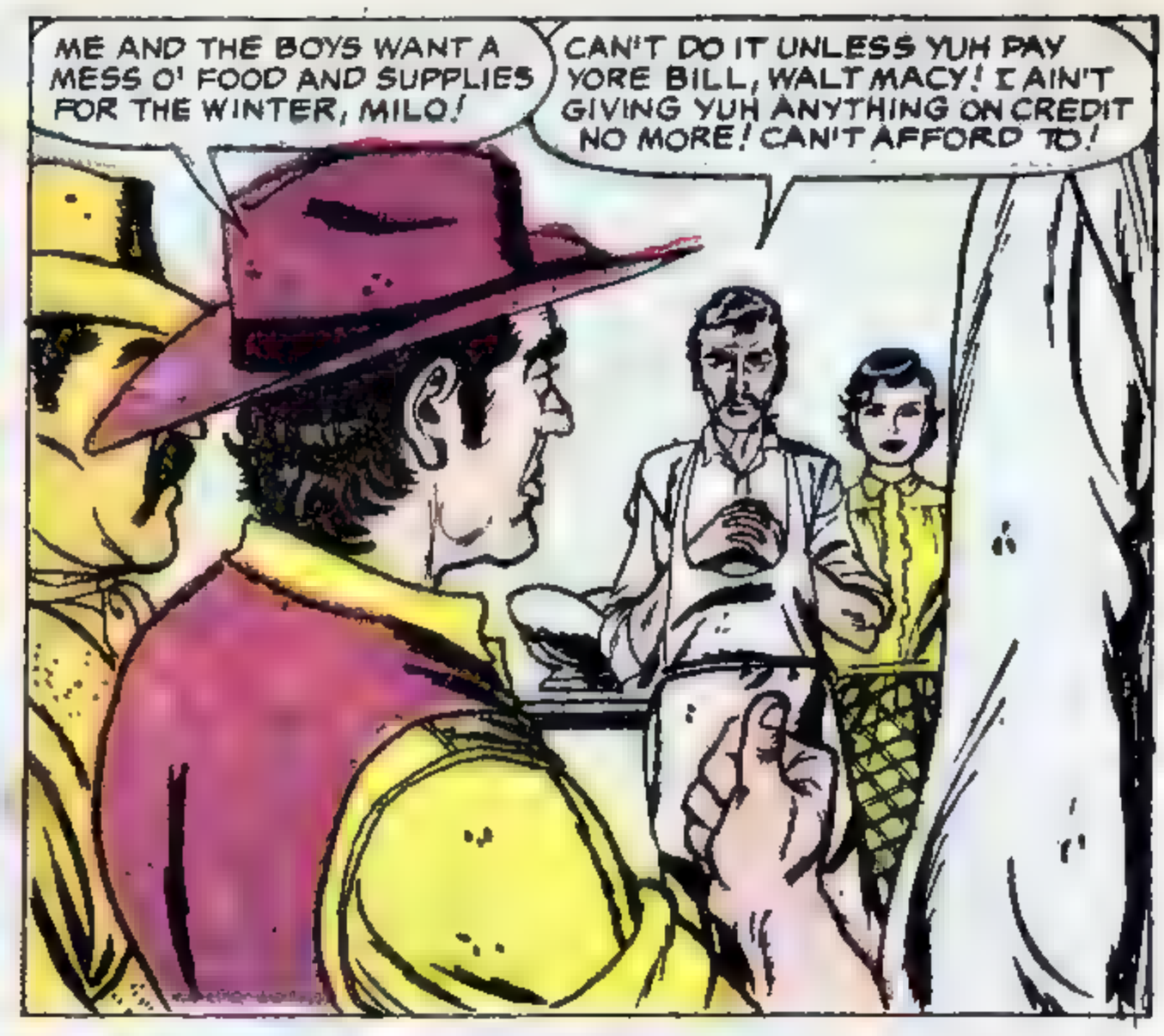
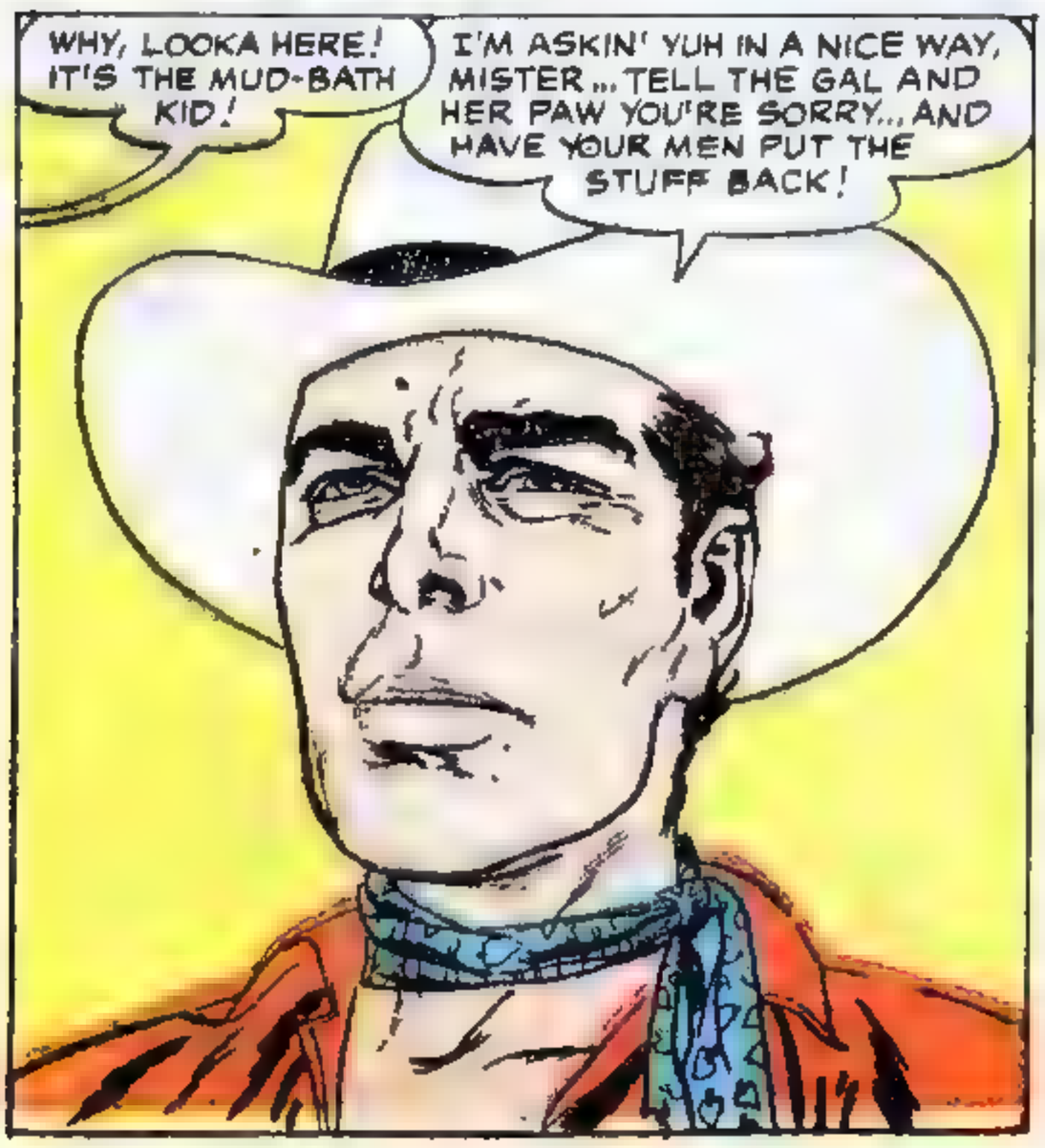


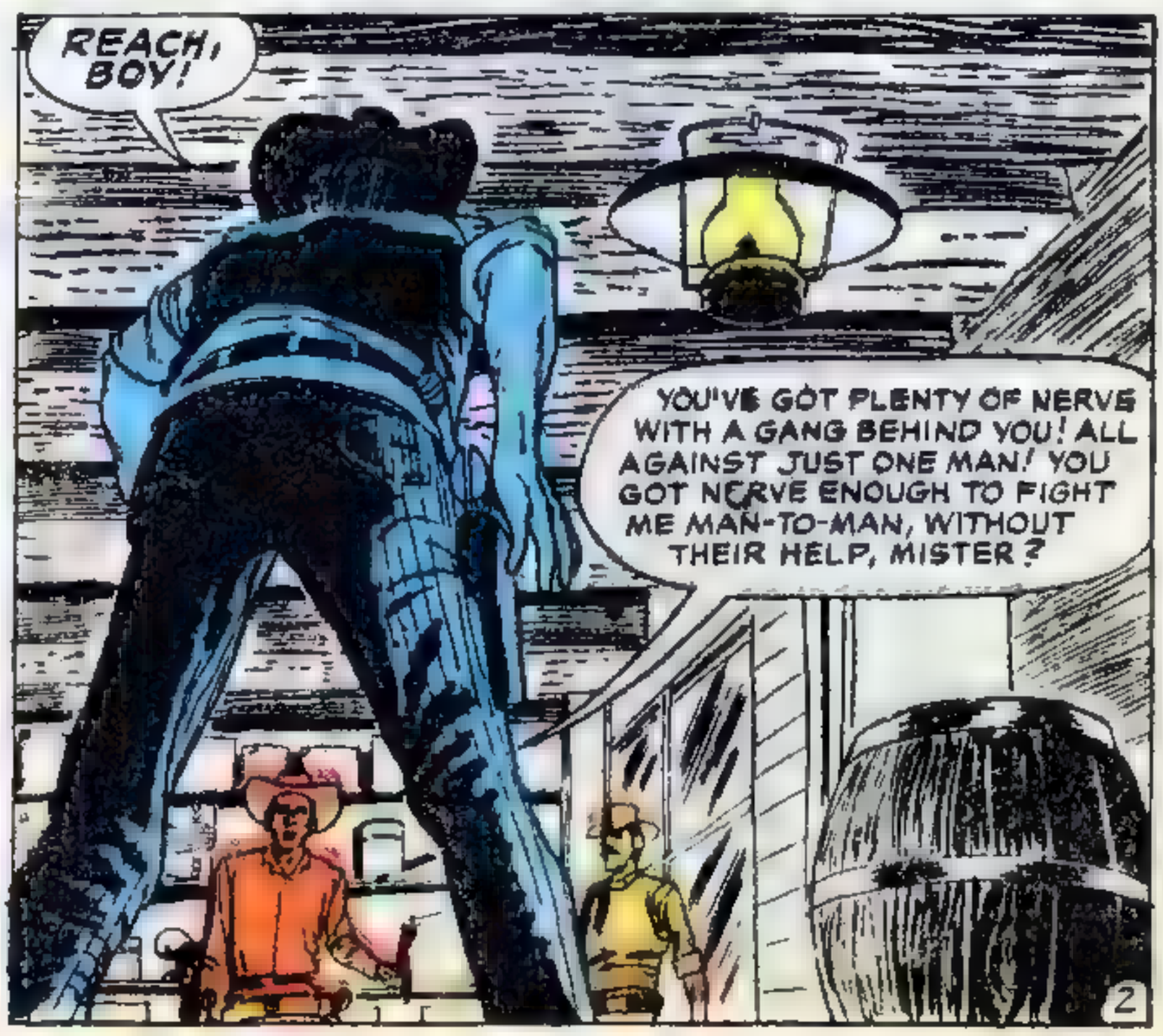

NUTHIN' TO WORRY ABOUT WITH THAT HOMBRE! HE'S JUST A SCARED CHOW-LINE RIDER WHO JUST CARRIES A GUN FOR SHOW!


ME AND THE BOYS WANT A MESS O' FOOD AND SUPPLIES FOR THE WINTER, MILO!
CAN'T DO IT UNLESS YUH PAY YORE BILL, WALT MACY! I AIN'T GIVING YUH ANYTHING ON CREDIT NO MORE! CAN'T AFFORD TO!

I AIN'T ASKIN' YUH TO GIVE ME ANYTHING, MILO! WE'RE TAKIN' IT! GO AHEAD, BOYS!
YOU GET OUT OF HERE, YOU BIG BRUTES!

DON'T FOOL AROUND WITH THAT THING, LITTLE GIRL! YOU'RE LIABLE TO GET HURT!
THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE WRONG, MISTER! YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S GONNA GET HURT!


WHY, LOOKA HERE! IT'S THE MUD-BATH KID!
I'M ASKIN' YUH IN A NICE WAY, MISTER... TELL THE GAL AND HER PAW YOU'RE SORRY... AND HAVE YOUR MEN PUT THE STUFF BACK!


REACH, BOY!
YOU'VE GOT PLENTY OF NERVE WITH A GANG BEHIND YOU! ALL AGAINST JUST ONE MAN! YOU GOT NERVE ENOUGH TO FIGHT ME MAN-TO-MAN, WITHOUT THEIR HELP, MISTER?

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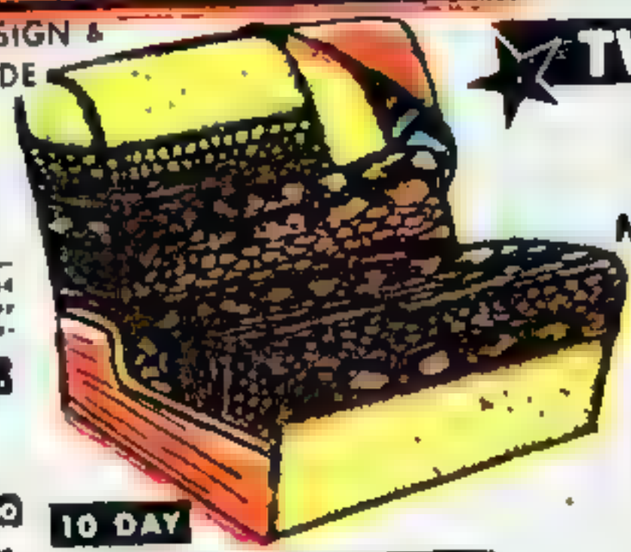

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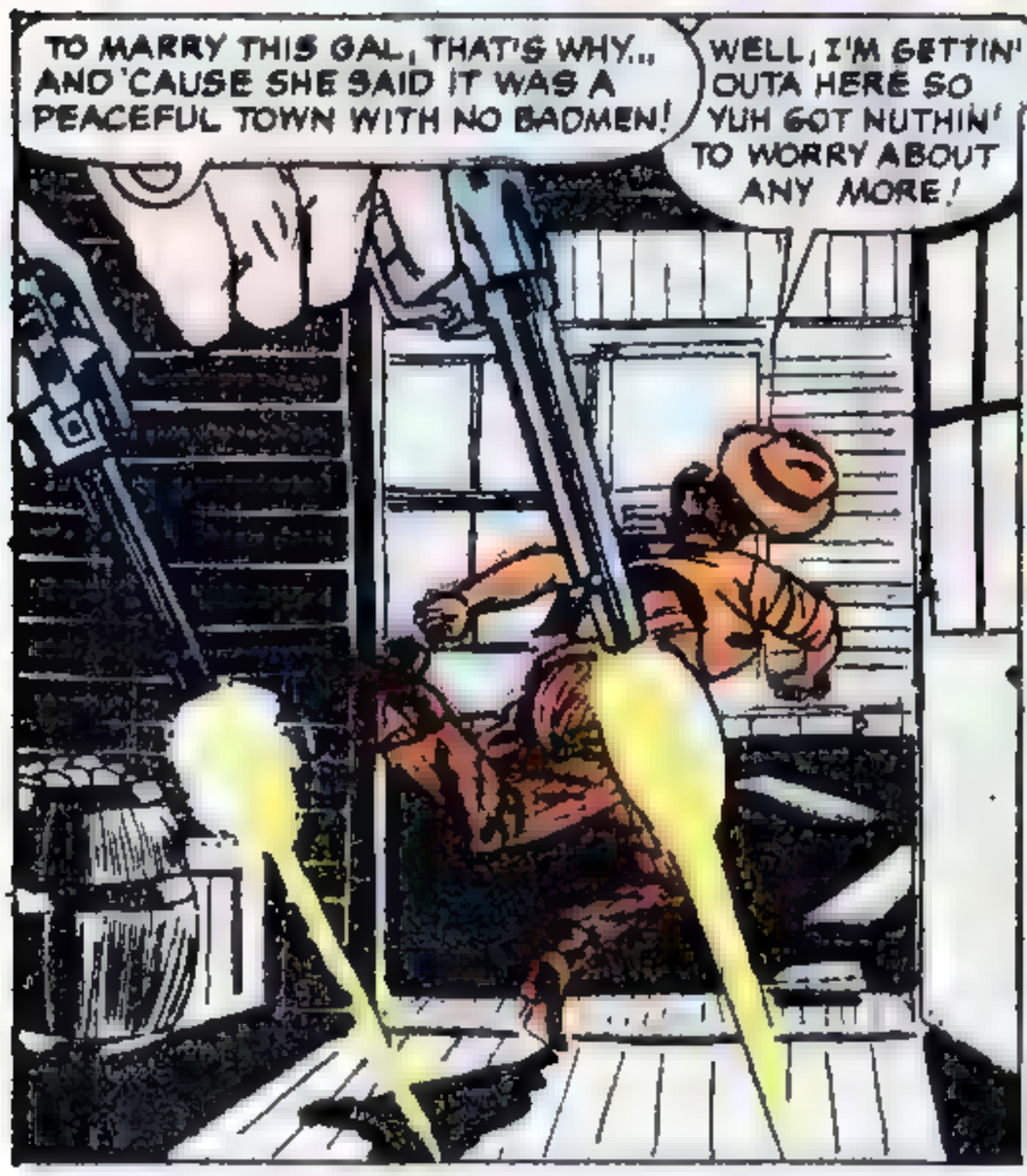
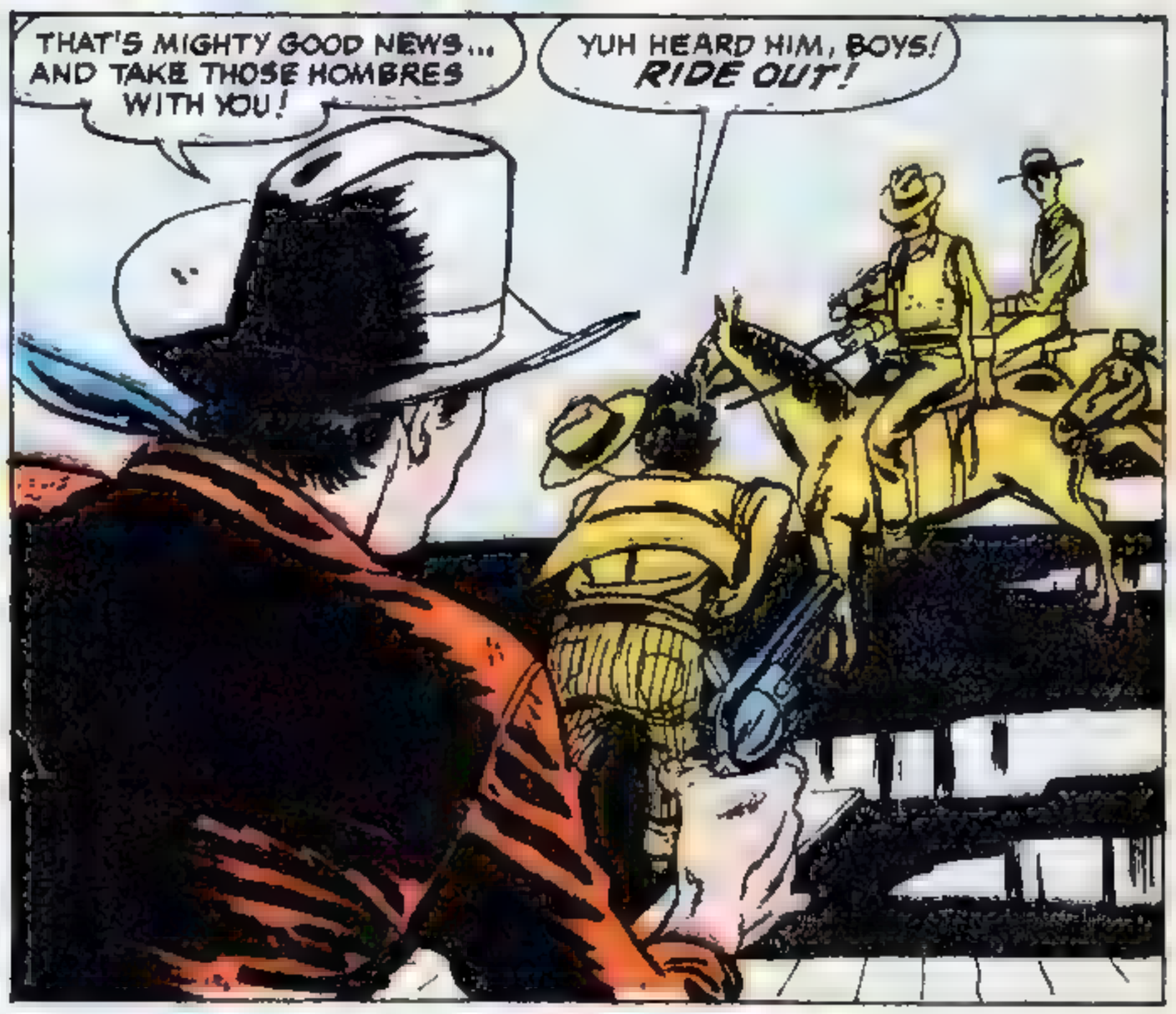
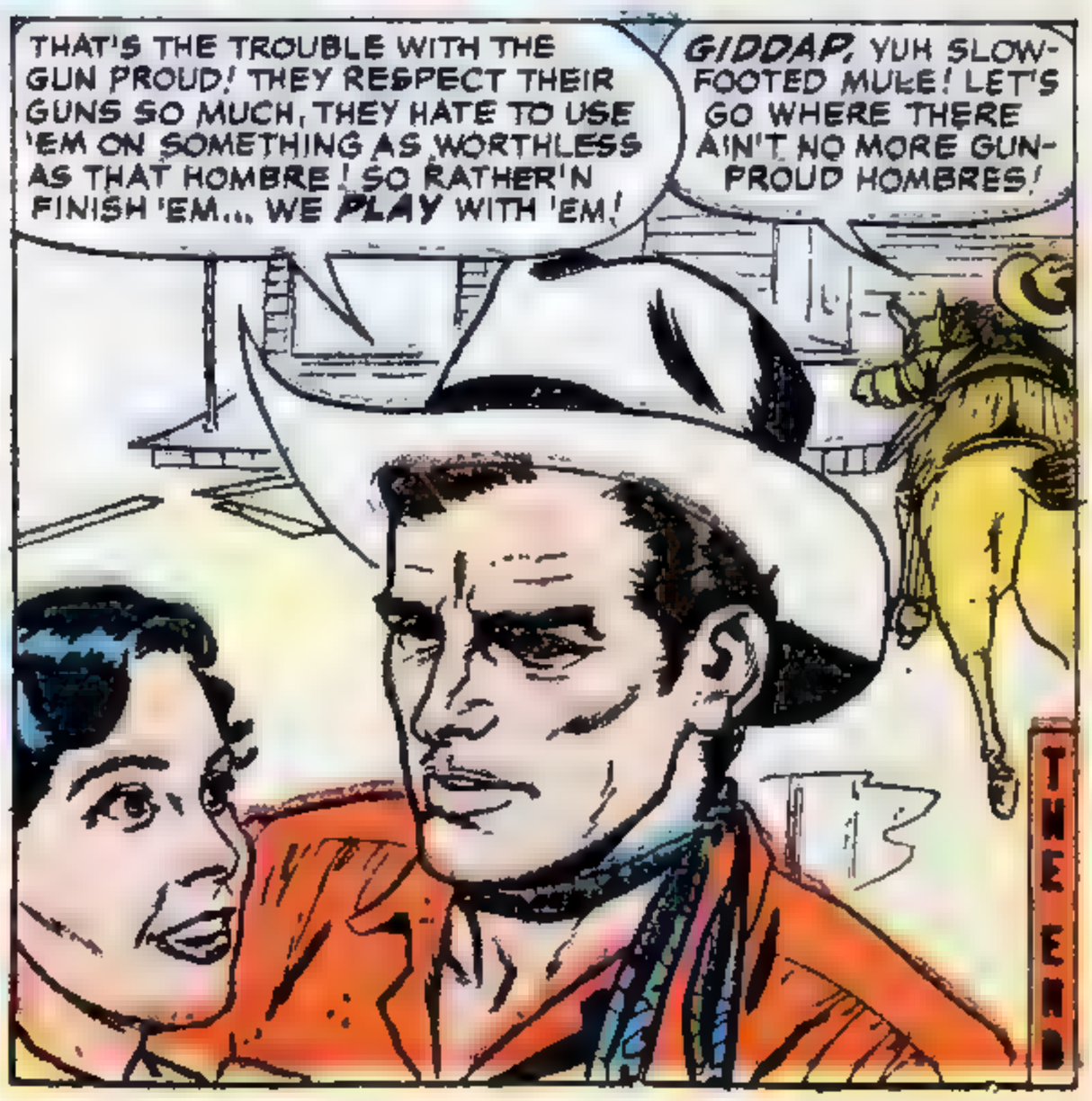
I DUNNO! ONLY PLEASE STOP!


TO MARRY THIS GAL, THAT'S WHY... AND 'CAUSE SHE SAID IT WAS A PEACEFUL TOWN WITH NO BADMEN!
WELL, I'M GETTIN' OUTA HERE SO YUH GOT NUTHIN' TO WORRY ABOUT ANY MORE!


THAT'S MIGHTY GOOD NEWS... AND TAKE THOSE HOMBRES WITH YOU!
YUH HEARD HIM, BOYS! *RIDE OUT!*

I'M SORRY, HONEY! I PROMISE NOT TO USE MY GUNS... TILL THE NEXT TIME I HAVE TO!
THAT'S ALL RIGHT, MITCH! I LIKE YOU TO BE GUN PROUD... BUT *NOT TOO* PROUD!


THAT'S THE TROUBLE WITH THE GUN PROUD! THEY RESPECT THEIR GUNS SO MUCH, THEY HATE TO USE 'EM ON SOMETHING AS WORTHLESS AS THAT HOMBRE! SO RATHER'N FINISH 'EM... WE *PLAY* WITH 'EM!
GIDDAP, YUH SLOW-FOOTED MULE! LET'S GO WHERE THERE AIN'T NO MORE GUN-PROUD HOMBRES!
THE END

HE RODE A CROOKED TRAIL... AND HE RODE IT ALONE! THAT WAS THE ONLY WAY TO BE, HE FIGURED, IF YOU WANTED TO STAY OUT OF THE CLUTCHES OF THE LAWMEN! HE HAD SOMETHING ELSE ALL FIGURED OUT, TOO! HE HAD THE PERFECT...

HIDE-OUT!

HUTCH ANDREWS THOUGHT HE WAS PLAYING IT SMART AS HE RODE OUT OF PRAIRIE JUNCTION...

I GOT HIM FOOLED GOOD! TOLD HIM I HAD A GANG WHEN I'M WORKIN' *ALONE!* THIS WAY THEY'LL *NEVER* FIND MY HIDE-OUT, CAUSE THEY'LL BE LOOKIN' FOR A PLACE BIG ENOUGH TO HIDE A *GANG* OF MEN... NOT JUST *ONE!*

HE CIRCLED AROUND AND RODE HARD TO THE SOUTH SIDE OF TOWN... TO AN ABANDONED MINE SHAFT...

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THERE IT IS... A MINE-SHAFT COVERING... AIN'T BEEN USED IN YEARS... AND I HAD IT ALL SET FOR WEEKS! WHO'S GONNA LOOK FOR A *GANG THERE?*

ON YOUR WAY, PARTNER! ACT LIKE A WILD HOSS, ONLY COME BACK WHEN I WHISTLE, THE WAY I TAUGHT YUH!

I EVEN GOT MY HORSE TRAINED SO HE DOESN'T HANG AROUND AND GET ME SPOTTED! I GOT GRUB ENOUGH FOR TWO WEEKS UNTIL THEY STOP LOOKIN' FOR ME! I GOT OVER TWENTY THOUSAND IN CASH... AND I GOT THE PERFECT HIDE-OUT! HUTCH ANDREWS, YUH'RE A PRETTY SMART HOMBRE!

MEANWHILE, BACK IN TOWN...

NOW TELL ME EVERYTHING HE SAID AND DID, MR. JOHNSON!

HE SAID HE HAD A GANG WAITING FOR HIM OUTSIDE, BUT THEY MUST HAVE GONE ON AHEAD OF HIM, 'CAUSE I SAW HIM RIDING NORTH ALL BY HIMSELF!

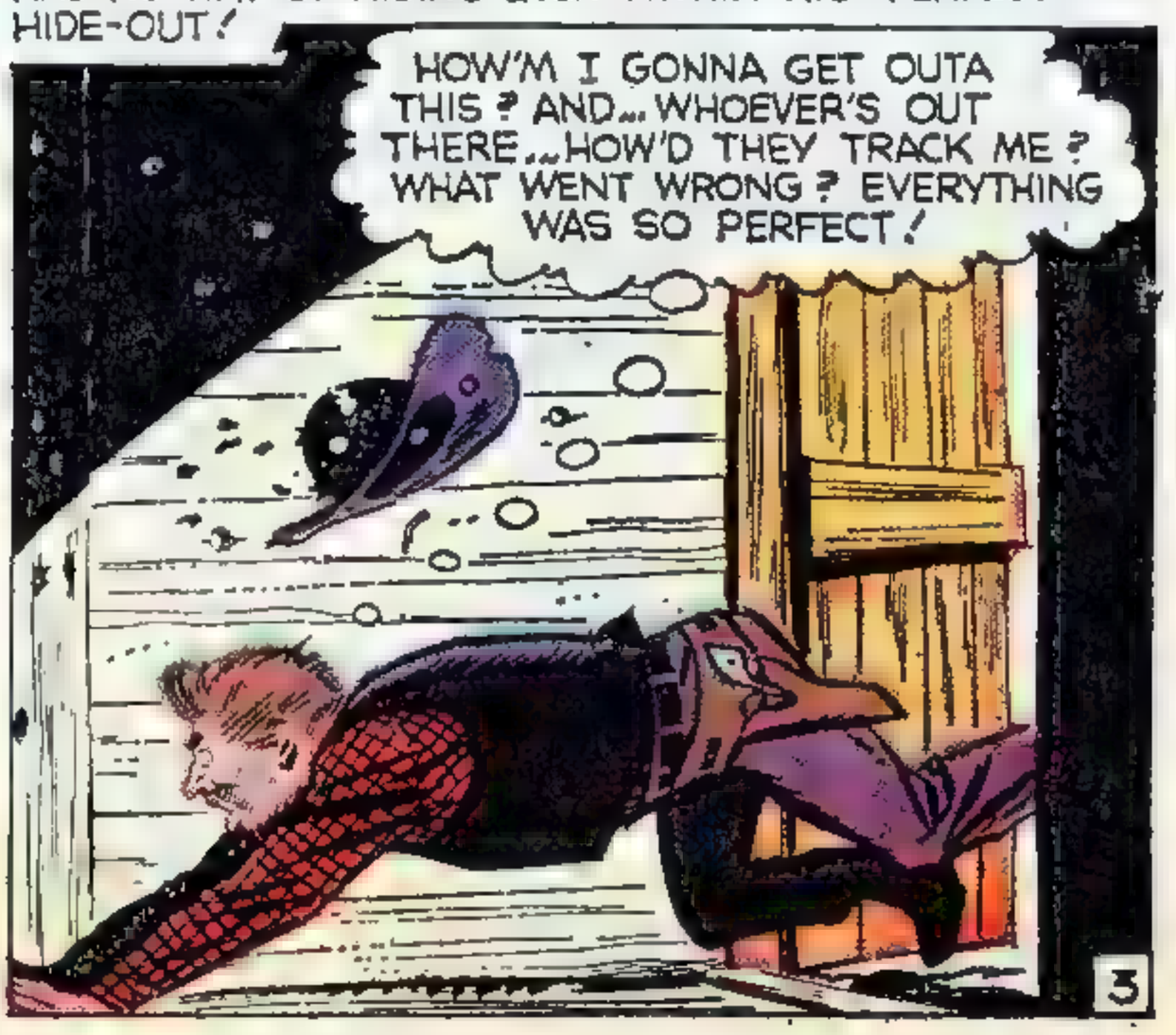
IS THAT SO? WELL, I RECKON I'LL BRING THAT CRITTER IN MIGHTY QUICK!

POOR OLD SHERIFF BOB'S ONLY BLUFFING! HE'S TOO OLD TO BRING ANYBODY IN ANY MORE, BUT HE WANTS US TO *THINK* HE CAN! MAYBE WE BETTER GET A SPECIAL DEPUTY ON THE JOB!

MUCH AS THE PEOPLE LOVED AND RESPECTED THE OLD LAWMAN, THEY STILL LAUGHED AT HIS PROUD CLAIM... AND THE ONE WHO LAUGHED AT ALL LAWMEN IN GENERAL WAS HUTCH ANDREWS...

BUT HUTCH'S LAUGHTER FROZE IN MID-AIR, CUT SHORT BY THE PANG OF A RIFLE BULLET!

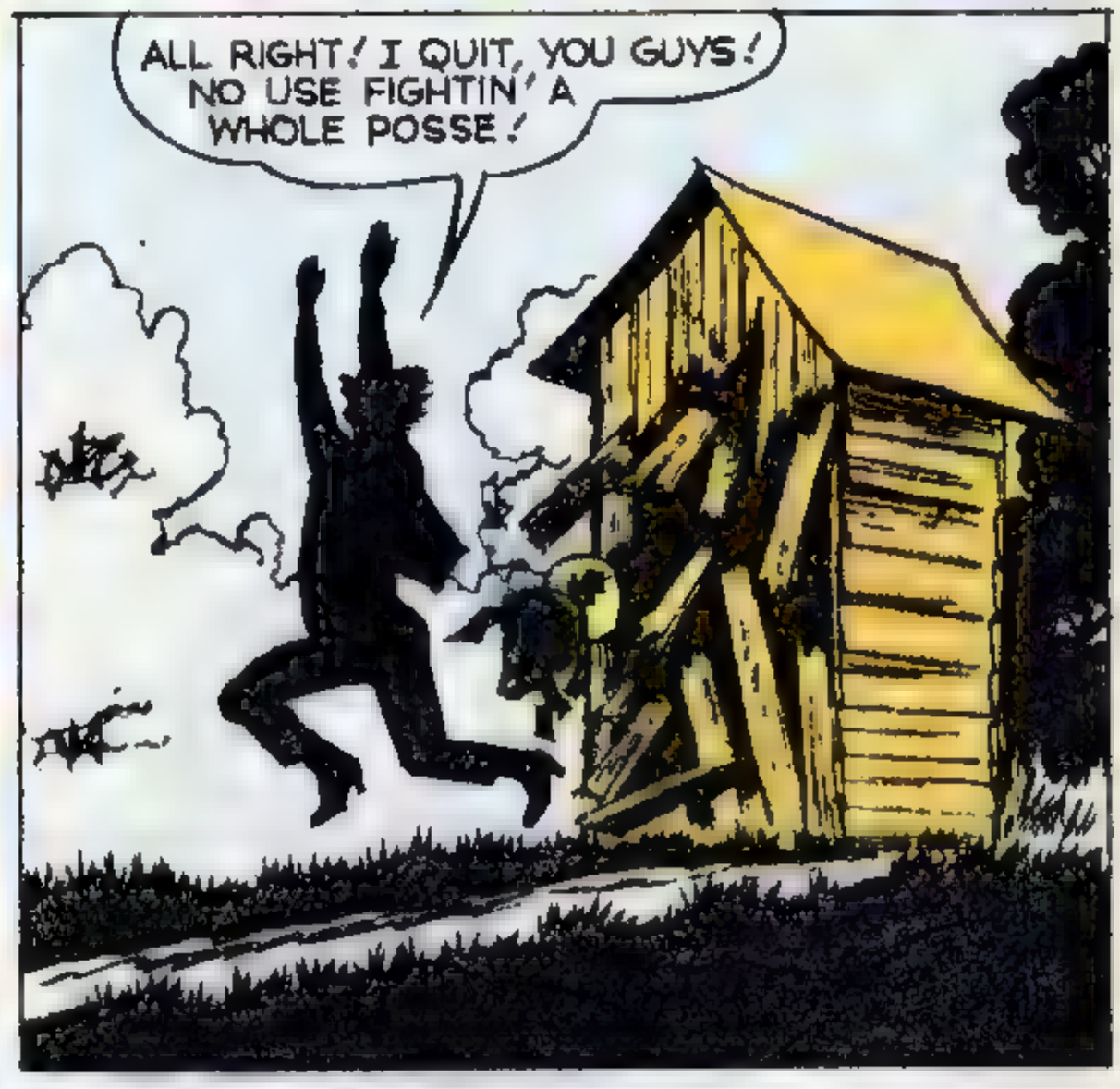
MORE BULLETS SPRAYED THE FLIMSY SHACK AND HUTCH HAD NO WAY OF HIDING EVEN WITHIN HIS "PERFECT" HIDE-OUT!



WAIT A MINUTE! THE SHOTS'VE STOPPED! MUST BE JUST ONE MAN OUT THERE AN' HE'S OUTA BULLETS! I'LL WAIT A MINUTE, AND THEN GO OUT THE BACK SIDE OF THE SHACK!

I CAN STILL OUTSMART HIM! JUST SO'S I CAN GET FAR ENOUGH AWAY TO WHISTLE FOR MY HOSS, AND...

NOW THEY'RE COMIN' FROM THIS SIDE! THERE'S MORE'N ONE OF 'EM!


ALL RIGHT! I QUIT, YOU GUYS! NO USE FIGHTIN' A WHOLE POSSE!

THERE'S NO POSSE, HOMBRE! JUST OL' LONESOME ME!
YOU... ALONE? BUT HOW'D YUH DO IT... AND HOW'D YUH FIND ME?
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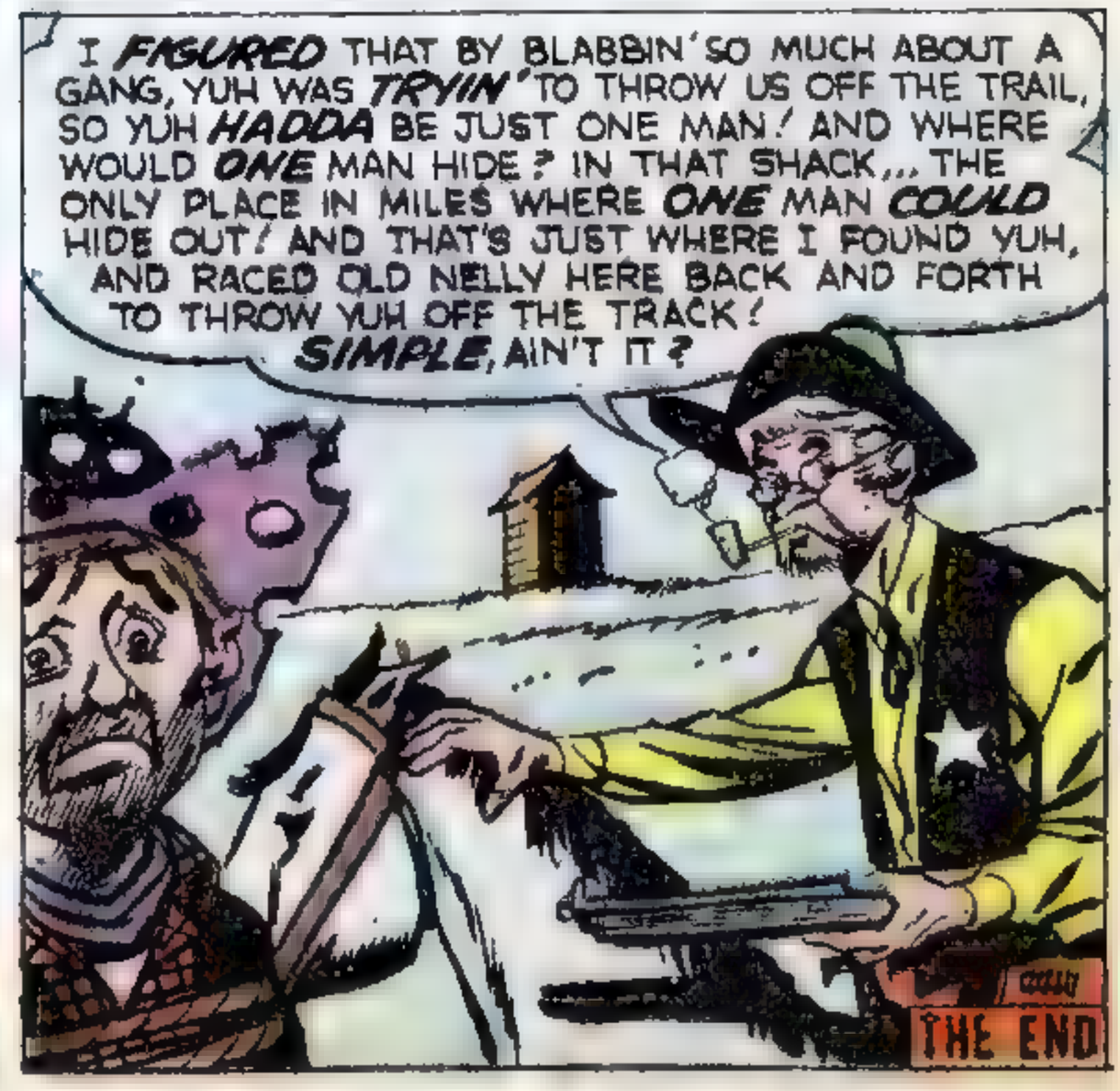
I FIGURED THAT BY BLABBIN' SO MUCH ABOUT A GANG, YUH WAS TRYIN' TO THROW US OFF THE TRAIL, SO YUH HADDA BE JUST ONE MAN! AND WHERE WOULD ONE MAN HIDE? IN THAT SHACK... THE ONLY PLACE IN MILES WHERE ONE MAN COULD HIDE OUT! AND THAT'S JUST WHERE I FOUND YUH, AND RACED OLD NELLY HERE BACK AND FORTH TO THROW YUH OFF THE TRACK! SIMPLE, AIN'T IT?
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ty. So all we have to worry about is a posse."

The sheriff didn't say anything.

"The way we take care of the posse problem," the man went on, "is like this: there are only two men working in the bank right now, two men and one girl. Well, we'll tie all four of you up and hide you in the inside offiffice of the bank. It'll be hours before you'll be found and can round up a posse. Practically everybody is having a siesta. By then, we'll have more than enough of a head start."

He motioned to his two accomplices. "Mort, you and Dan head inside and start collecting funds. I'll keep my gun on grandpa here. Think you can take care of those white-collar boys yourselves?"

"Sure thing, Phil," they said and started across the room. They opened the door in the rear and walked in. The door swung shut behind them.

A moment later, the two men in the sheriff's office heard curses and yells. Guns went off in the next room.

"What in —" the tall outlaw started to say. He looked anxiously from the closed door to the seated sheriff.

Suddenly, he felt the double-barrel of a shotgun poking against his backbone. "Raise those hands, mister," a heavy and determined voice said behind him. "Raise those hands and drop that gun pronto. Unless you want to show air between your shoulder-blades!"

The stunned outlaw obeyed. "I can't figure it," he muttered.

"I'll tell you," the sheriff said, bouncing up once more. "We have an alarm system between the bank and the jail — and it works both ways! When I sat down looking so scared, I put my foot on the buzzer, warning my deputy—who happens to be the teller—to come around and help me. And that door over there doesn't lead into the bank — it leads into the jail, and *then* into the bank. And on both sides there are steel doors with spring locks which click shut once someone goes inside. Unless they have a key, they can't get out. Yes, sir, like you said: it's a real convenient arrangement we've got here!"

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BANK

STAY OUTTA THIS, MARSHAL! WE GOT YOU COVER— **UGH!**

YOU'VE COMMITTED YOUR LAST MURDER, HOMBRES!

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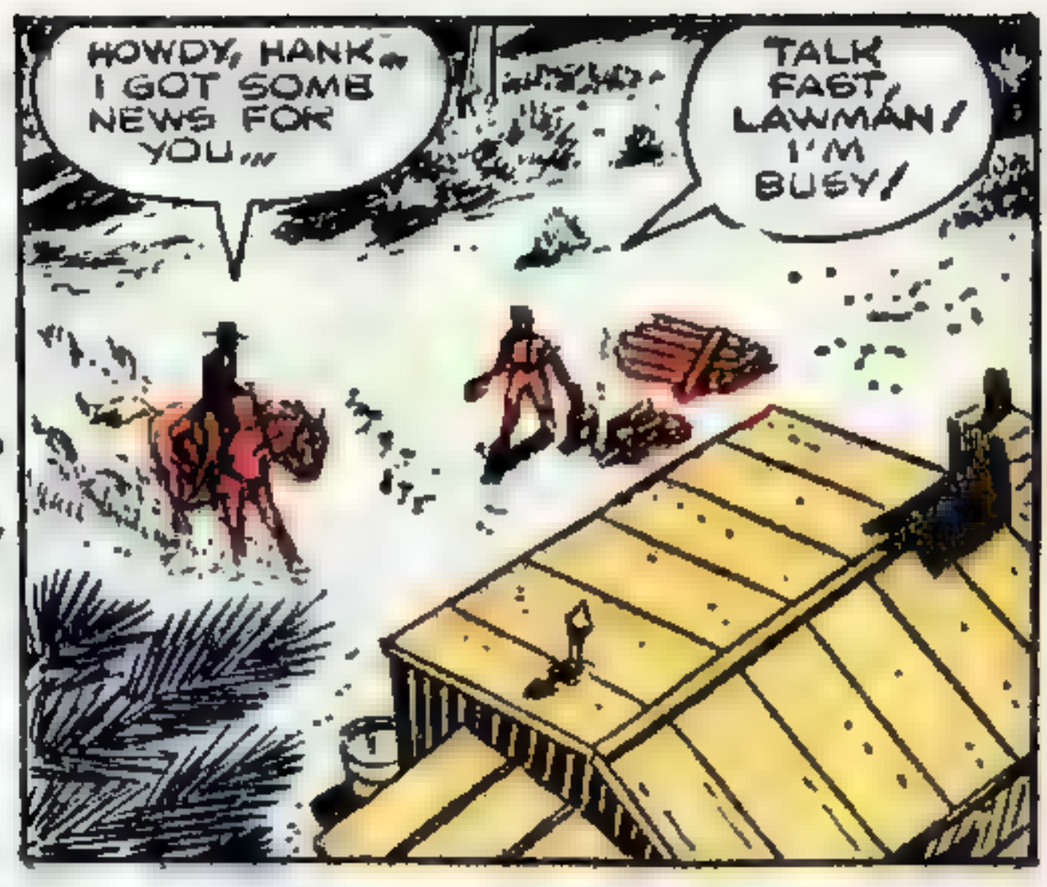
THOSE ORNERY COYOTES GOT SAM JACKSON, THE TELLER! SAM! HE... HE'S BREATHING! HE'S STILL ALIVE!

WYATT (GASP), LISTEN TO ME... I'M SINKIN' FAST...

DID YUH SEE THAT SHOOTIN'? WYATT OUT-DREW THEM JASPERS ALTHOUGH THEY WUZ ALREADY *HOLDIN'* THEIR GUNS!

DICK AYERS

AFTER THAT, RODE OUT TO HIS SMALL SPREAD, TO BREAK THE NEWS TO HIS SON, HANK. HANK WAS A STRANGE LAD... A MITE TOO WILD AND QUICK-TRIGGERED TO SUIT ME... BUT A PROMISE WAS A PROMISE!



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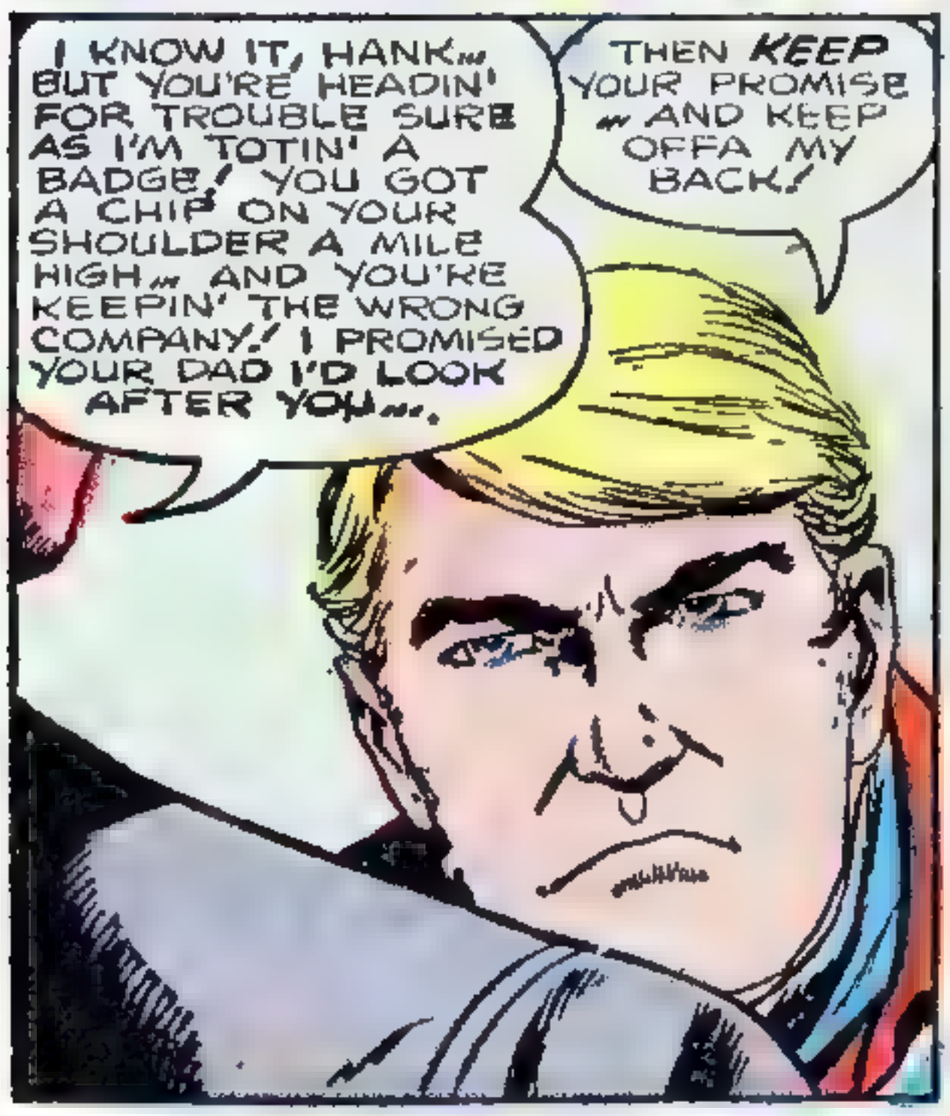
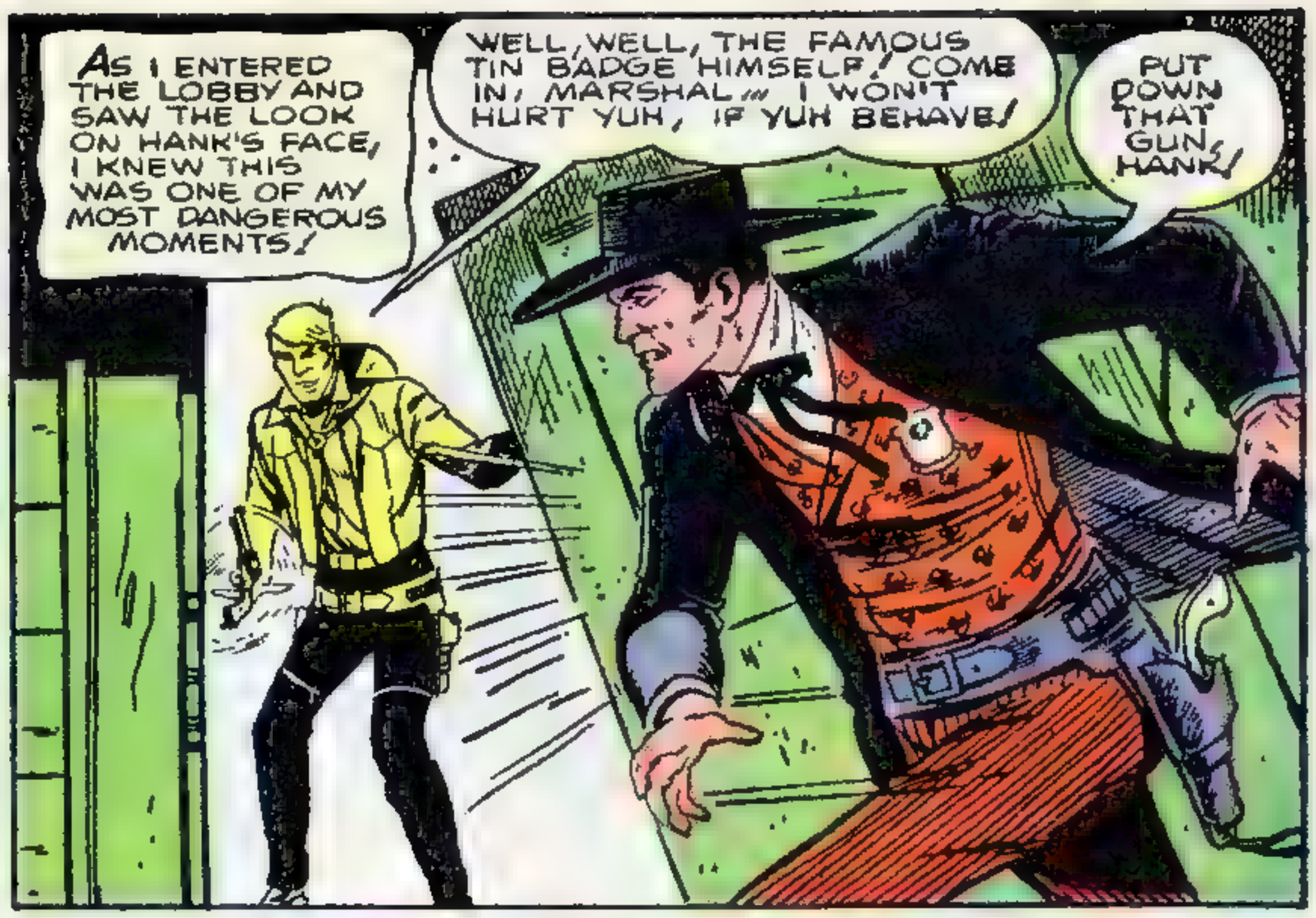


AS I WATCHED HIM SWAGGER OUT OF THE SALOON, I KNEW I HAD A PROBLEM! I COULDN'T BREAK MY PROMISE TO HIS DEAD FATHER BY EVER DRAWING AGAINST THE BOY... BUT WHAT COULD I DO IF WE MET AGAIN... OVER THE BARREL OF HIS COLT... WHICH I KNEW WOULD SOMEDAY HAPPEN!!!

IT'S HANK JACKSON! HE'S SHOOTIN' UP THE PLACE! CLAIMS HE'S THE FASTEST GUN IN TOWN, AND HE'S ITCHIN' TO PROVE IT!
CAREFUL, MARSHAL! HE'S A MEAN UN!


AS I ENTERED THE LOBBY AND SAW THE LOOK ON HANK'S FACE, I KNEW THIS WAS ONE OF MY MOST DANGEROUS MOMENTS!
WELL, WELL, THE FAMOUS TIN BADGE HIMSELF! COME IN, MARSHAL... I WON'T HURT YUH, IF YUH BEHAVE!
PUT DOWN THAT GUN, HANK!

NOW, MARSHAL! THAT'S NO WAY TO TALK TO A MAN YUH PROMISED TO LOOK AFTER! I DON'T ADVISE YUH TO MAKE ANY THREATS YUH CAN'T BACK UP!
WHAT DO YOU WANT, BOY? WHAT ARE YOU AFTER?
ROOMS
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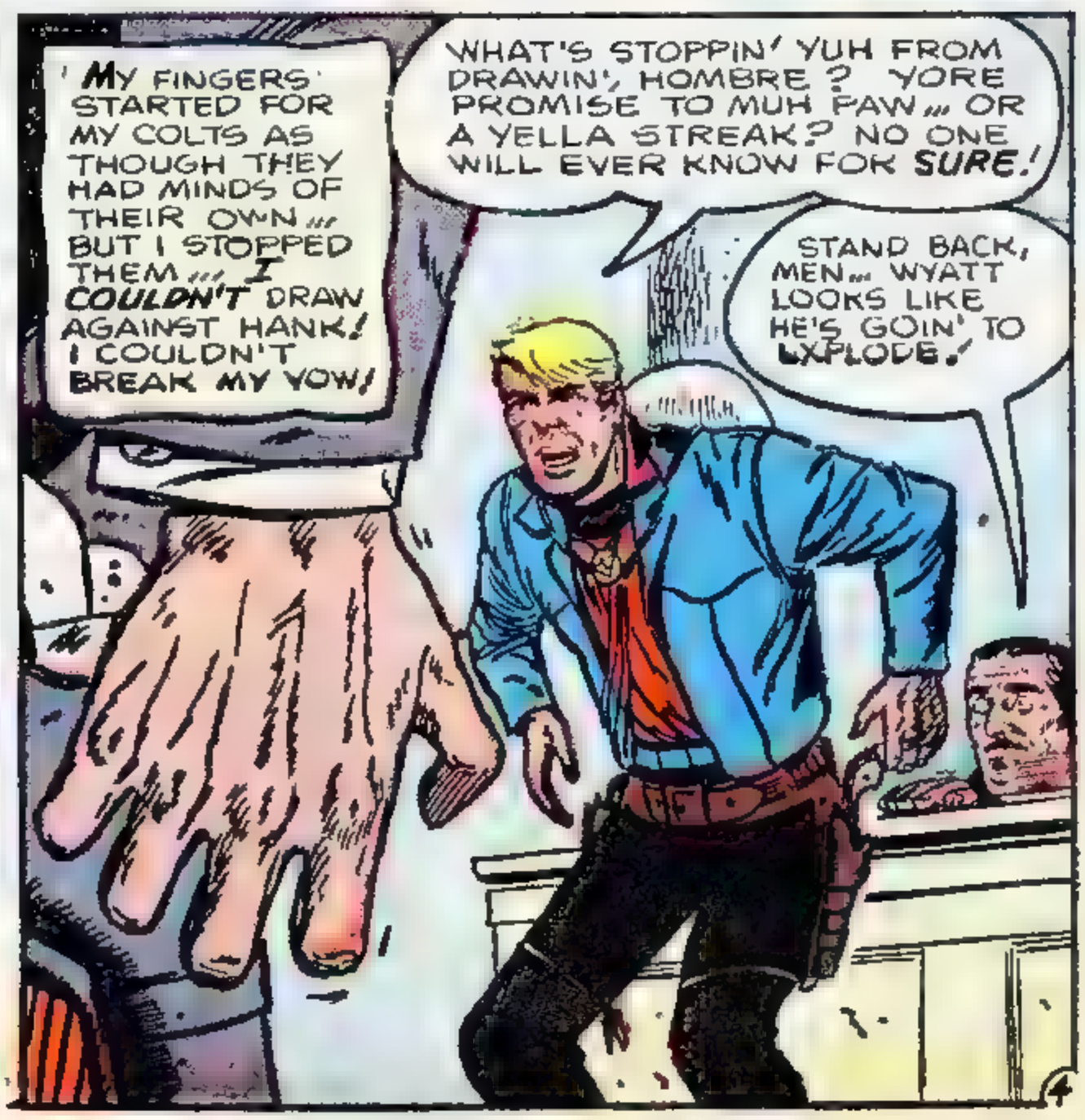
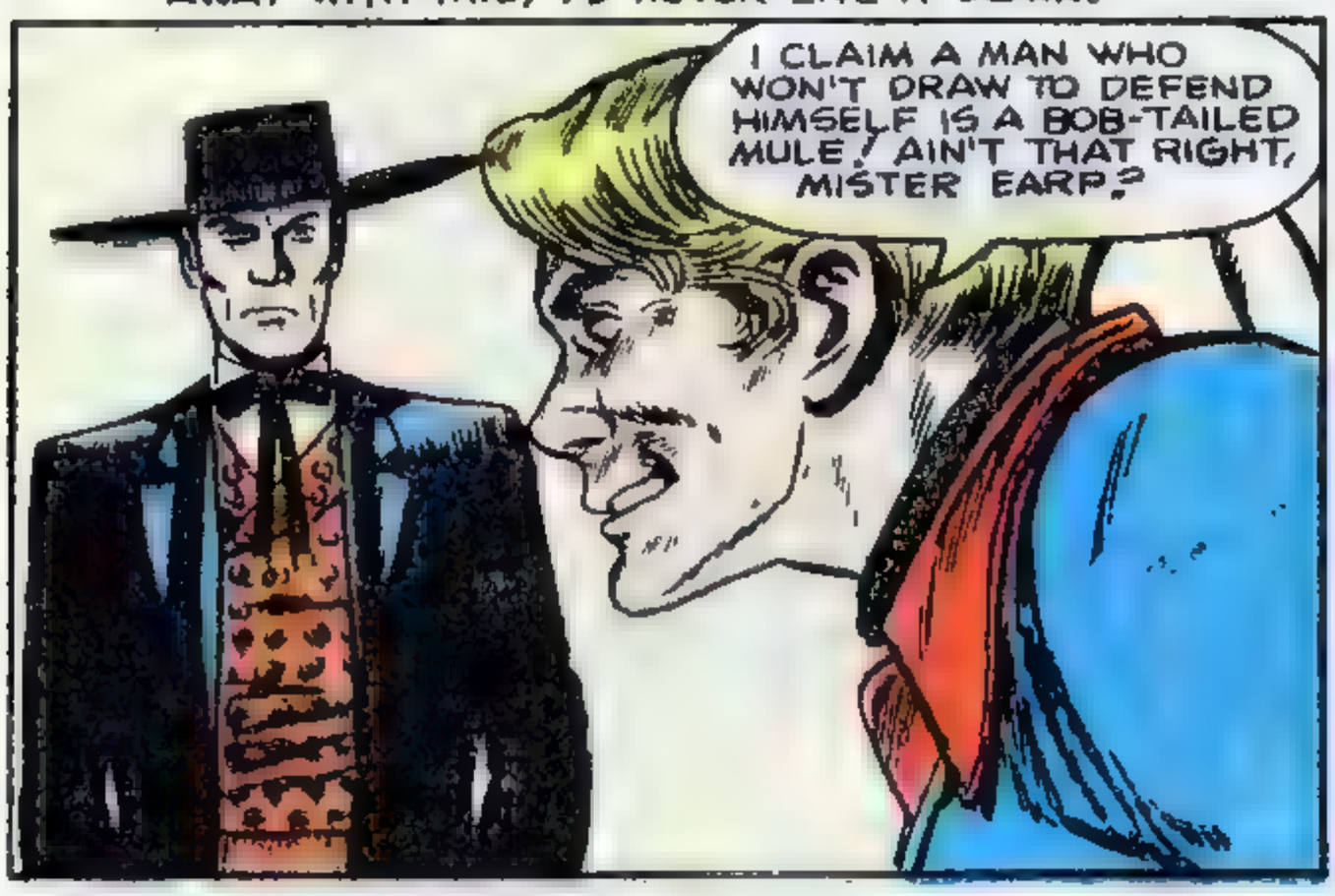
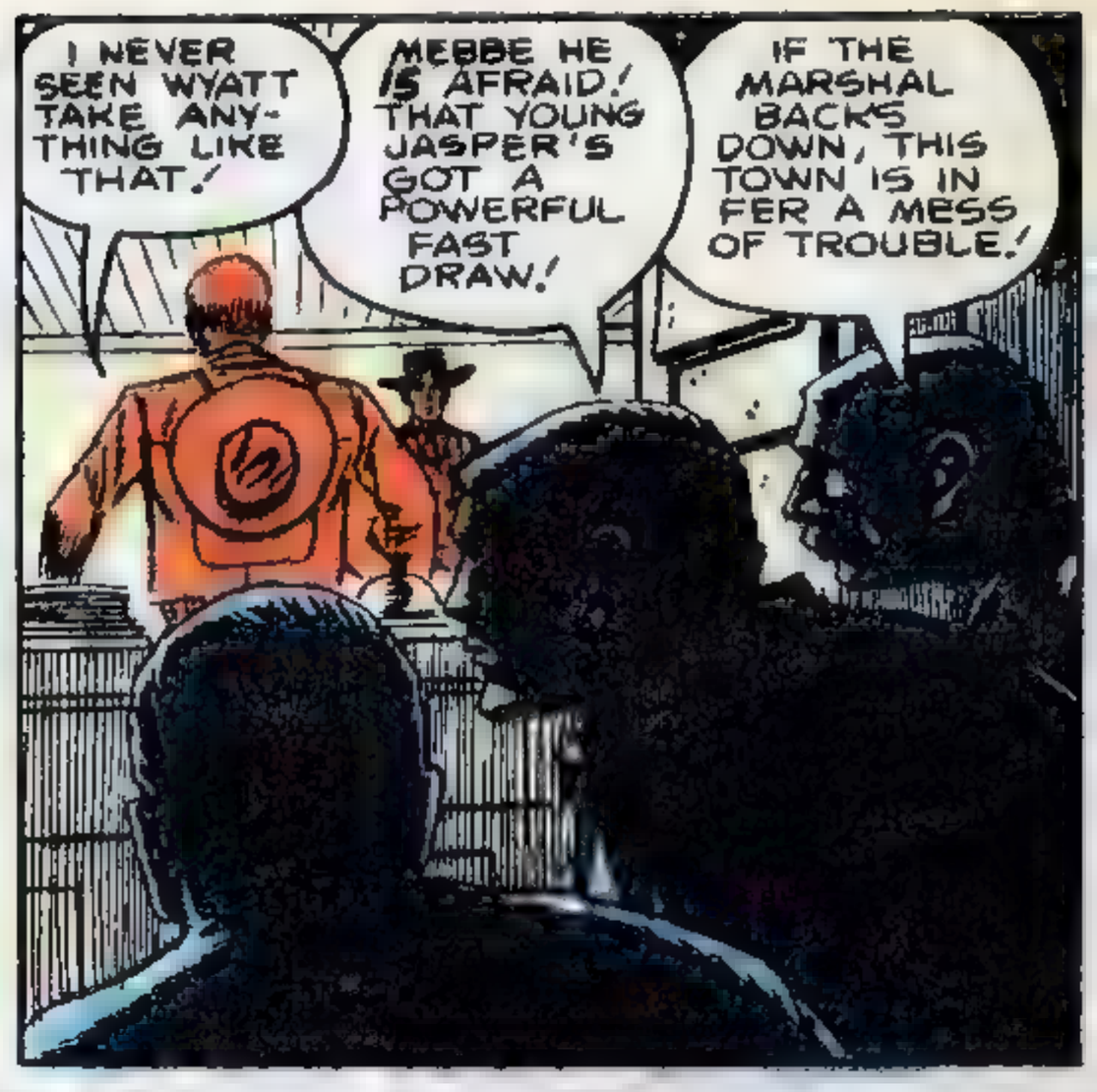
IT'S SIMPLE, MISTER! I RECKON THIS TOWN'S BEEN BOSSED BY YOU LONG ENUFF! NOW I'M READY TO TAKE OVER! I CLAIM I'M THE FASTEST GUN AROUND... SO I'M GIVIN' YUH JUST FIVE MINUTES TO DROP YORE GUNS AND LEAVE TOWN... FOR GOOD!

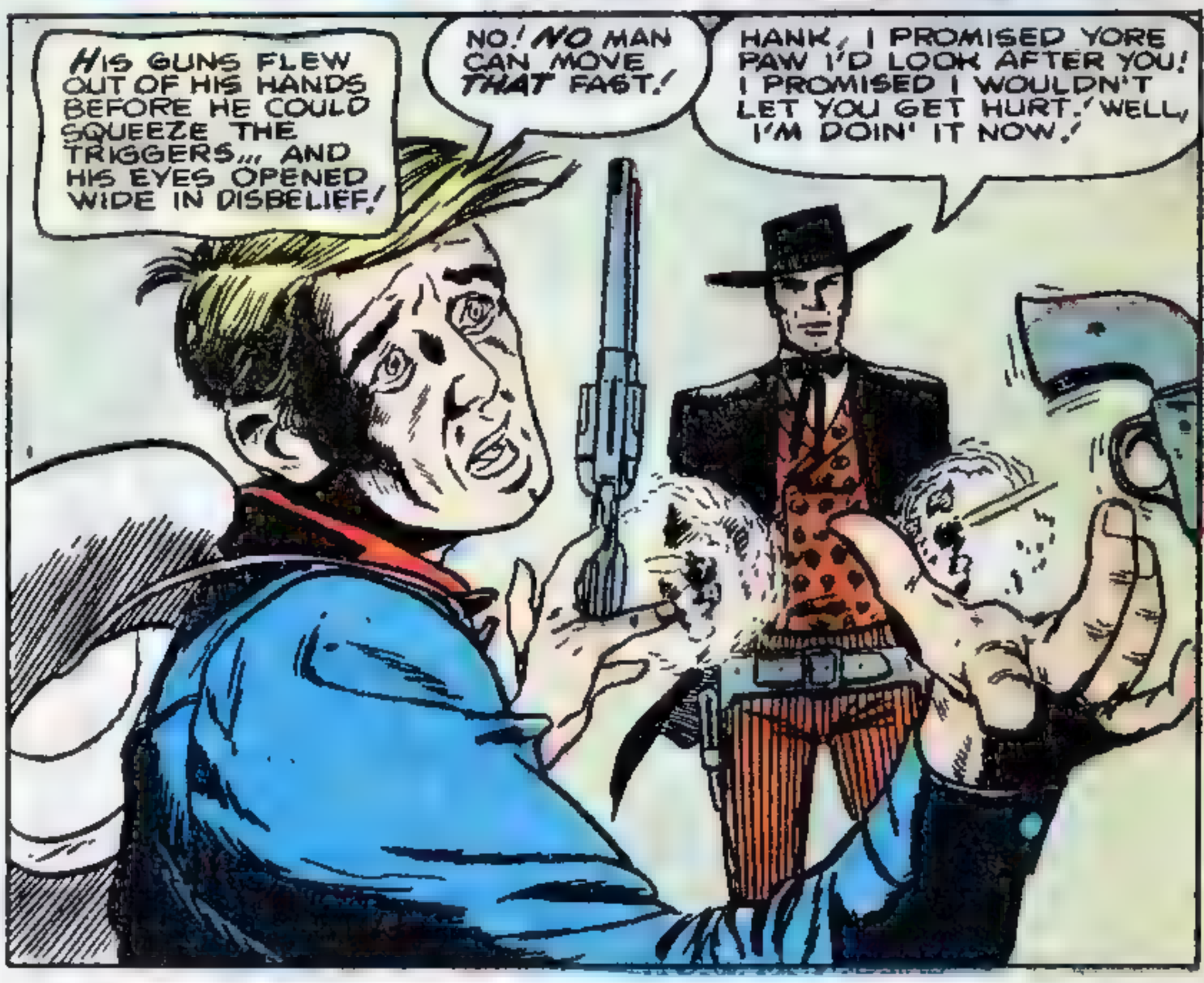

MY FINGERS STARTED FOR MY COLTS AS THOUGH THEY HAD MINDS OF THEIR OWN... BUT I STOPPED THEM... I COULDN'T DRAW AGAINST HANK! I COULDN'T BREAK MY VOW!
WHAT'S STOPPIN' YUH FROM DRAWIN', HOMBRE? YORE PROMISE TO MUH PAW... OR A YELLA STREAK? NO ONE WILL EVER KNOW FOR SURE!
STAND BACK, MEN... WYATT LOOKS LIKE HE'S GOIN' TO EXPLODE!

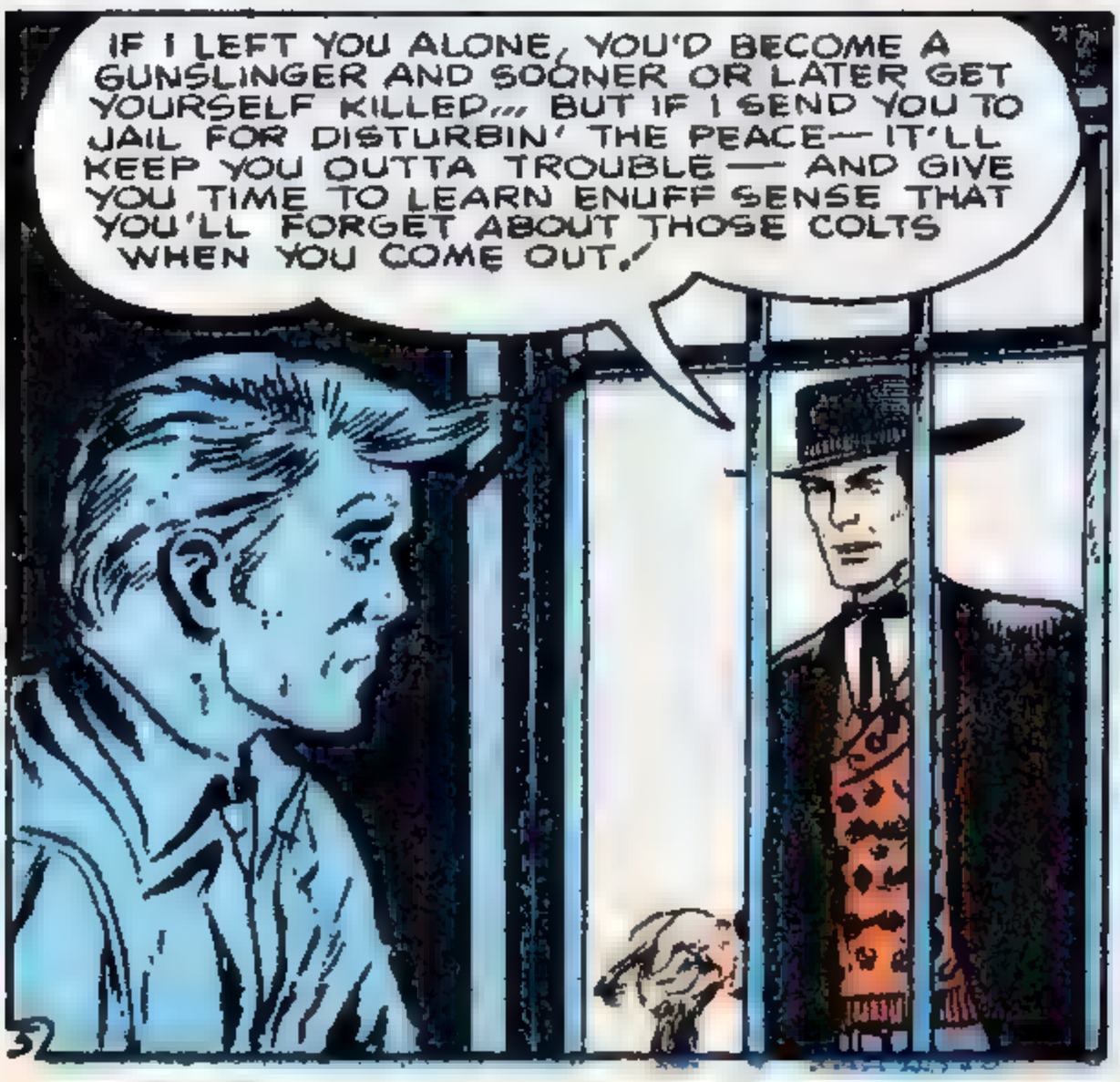
I KNEW THAT HANK WAS TOYING WITH ME... BUILDING UP HIS OWN REP AT MY EXPENSE BECAUSE HE WAS SO SURE I WOULDN'T BREAK MY WORD TO HIS FATHER... BUT THE MEN IN TOWN COULDN'T BE THAT SURE! IF HANK GOT AWAY WITH THIS, I'D NEVER LIVE IT DOWN!





AND THEN I *KNEW* WHAT I HAD TO DO! IT CAME TO ME SUDDENLY, CLEARLY... AND I MOVED WITHOUT CONSCIOUS THOUGHT, THE WAY I'D DRAWN SO MANY TIMES IN THE PAST... SUDDEN, SMOOTH, AND STRAIGHT!





YES, I KEPT MY PROMISE TO OLD SAM JACKSON, AND STILL GAVE HANK WHAT HE DESERVED! AS FOR WHAT HAPPENED TO HANK *AFTER* THAT— WELL, THAT'S *ANOTHER* STORY... AND MEBBE I'LL TELL IT TO YOU SOME OTHER TIME.

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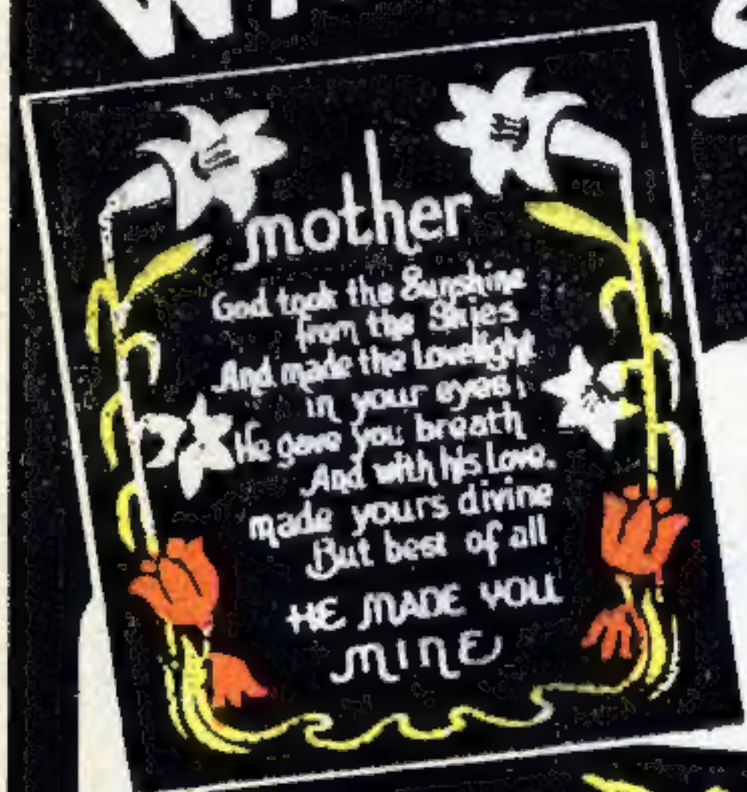

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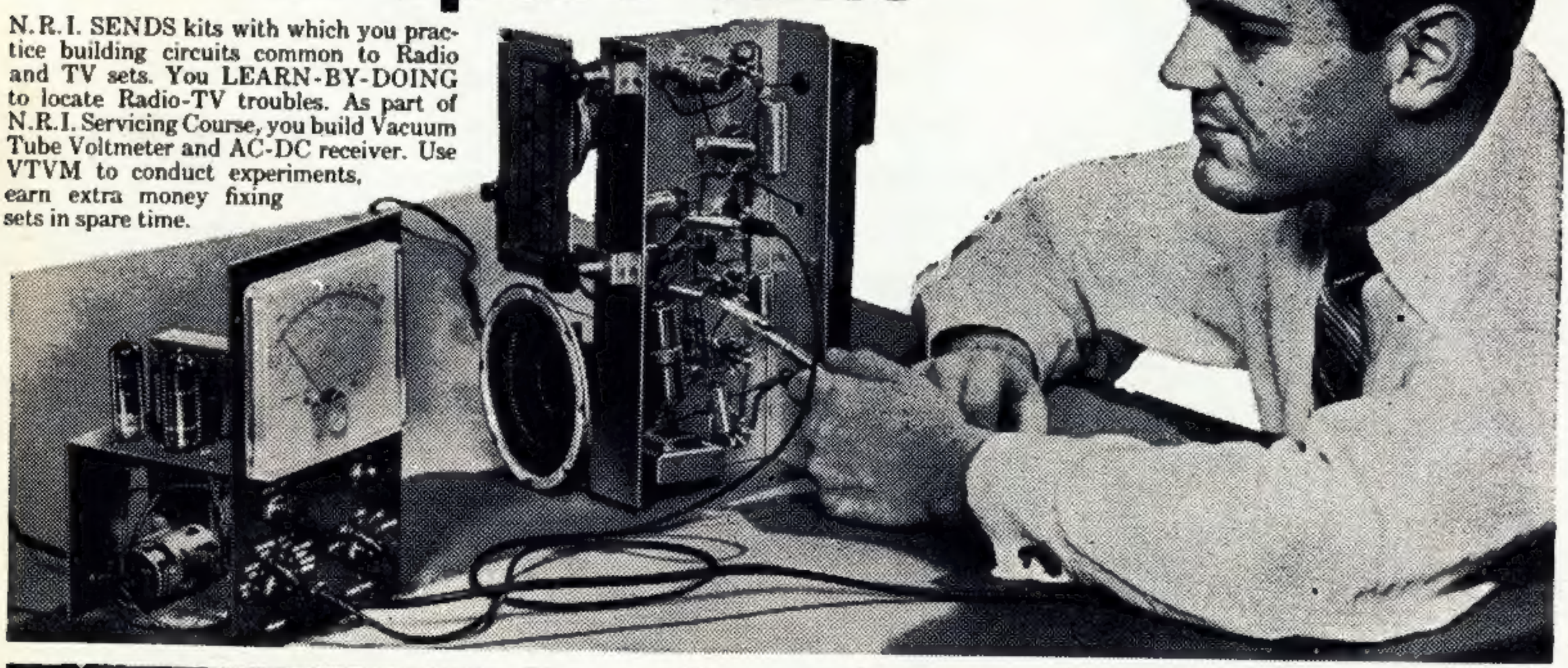

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